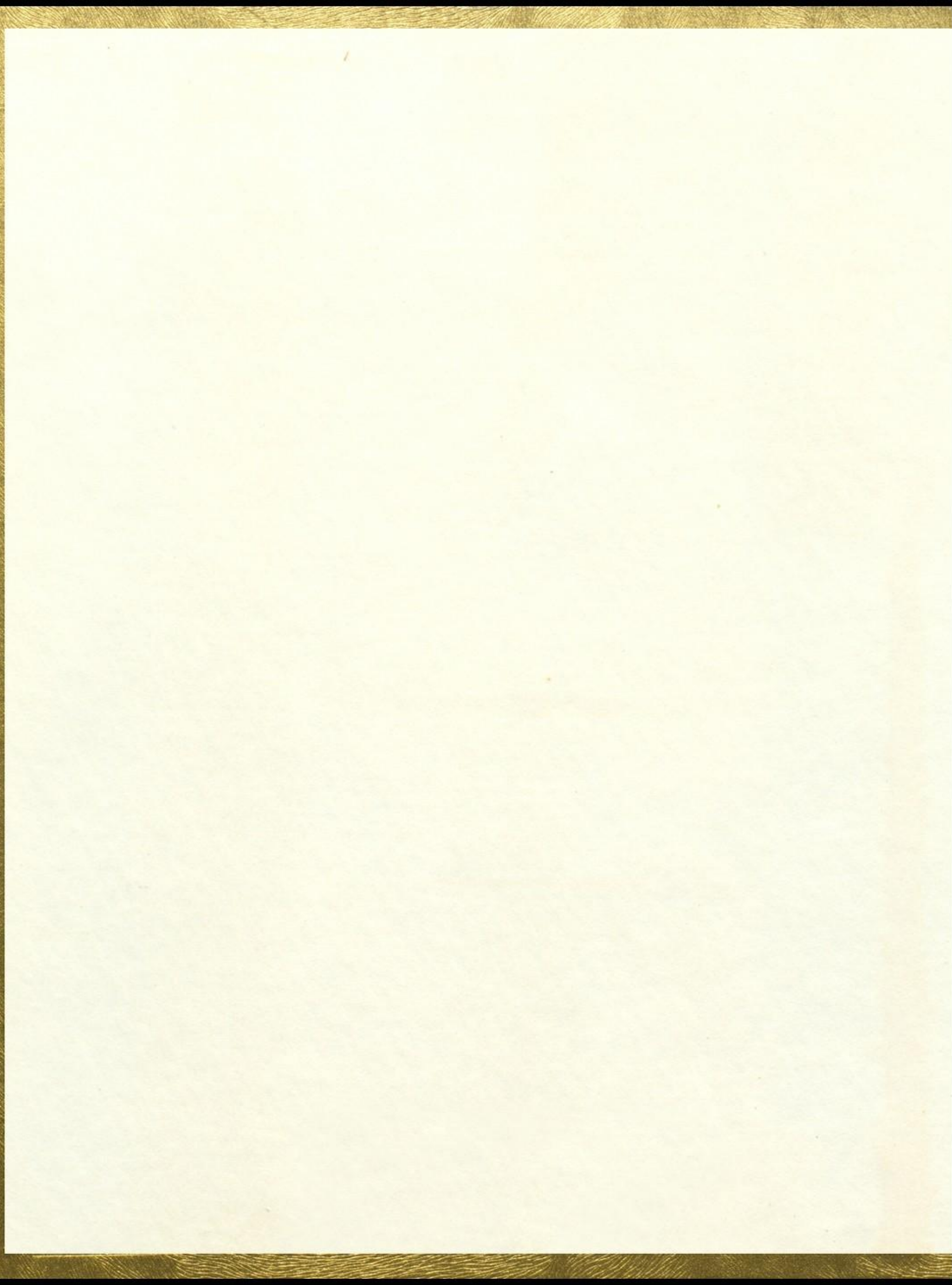


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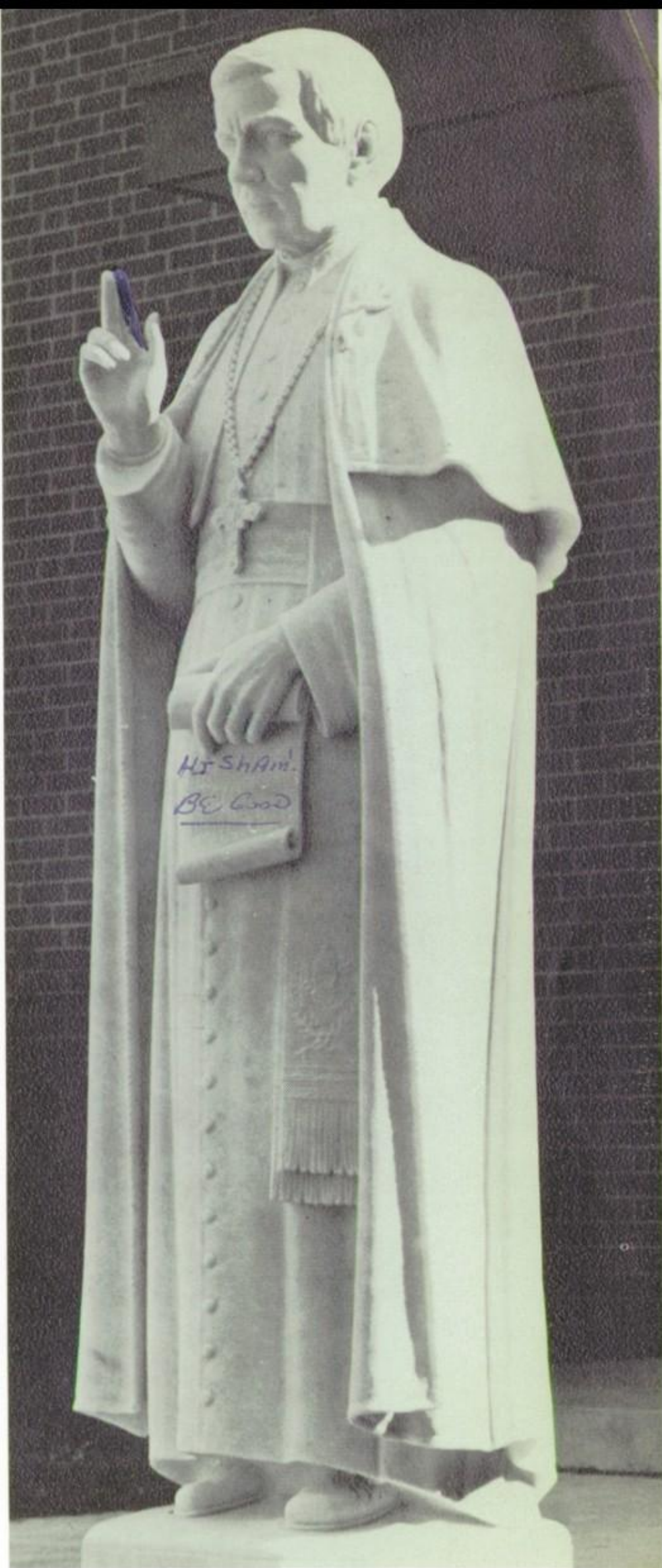
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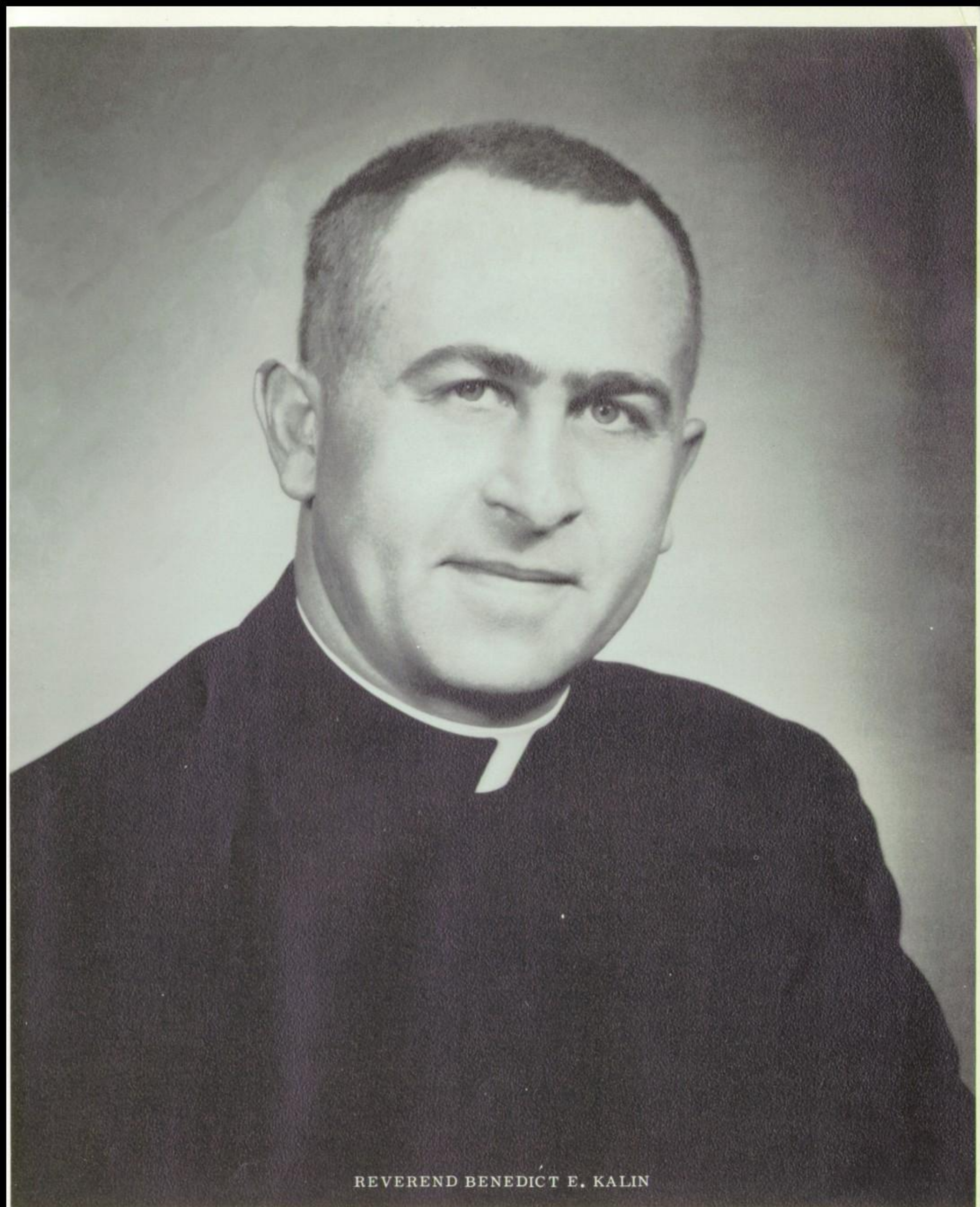
In Christ

To Reverend Benedict E. Kalin . . .

Superintendent of Pius X High School, is dedicated this 1963 THUNDERER. By his own example, he has impressed upon us, the students, the significance of the motto of Saint Pius X, "To Restore All Things in Christ."

In keeping with his conviction that religion should be an integral part of our lives, Father Kalin has been instrumental in assuring the continuation of daily Mass at Pius. He has promoted the educational opportunities and facilities we now enjoy, and his encouragement has developed within the students an esprit de corps in academic achievements.

For his time, energy, and leadership in fostering not only the intellectual, but also the spiritual development of our lives, we can never adequately express our appreciation.



REVEREND BENEDICT E. KALIN

Spirit at Pius X



Pius X is not just brick and mortar, desks and chairs, teachers and students. It is much more. It is the very challenge of life itself. This challenge, met and accepted by the students this year, has created a "new spirit." Its exuberance can be felt in sports, in classrooms, in halls, in extracurricular activities. This "new spirit" has qualities which enable the students to overcome the challenges faced in the teenage world of school and its way of life.

Enthusiastic backing by the student body as a whole, and the Pep Club in particular, has helped to transmit this new found quality into the athletic teams to make this year successful. The athlete no longer feels that he is just participating in a sports contest - he feels that he represents PIUS X, that "little school on the hill," and he is proud of it.

Attentiveness in the chapel and in the classrooms by the students themselves has also resulted from this "new spirit." Each day's prayers and study enable them to face and conquer the challenges of today, and will prepare them to face and conquer the challenges of tomorrow.





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ADMINISTRATION



AND FACULTY

Administrators

Leadership for the students in all academic, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities is provided by the administrators. They are responsible for the myriad details that mean a well organized, smooth running school. Their tireless effort and work constantly present students with opportunities for improving their educational excellence.

Father Paul E. Sheehy, as principal, is chiefly responsible for the high academic standards at Pius. His main concern centers around the enrichment of the curriculum.

Father Valerie V. Durr directs the varied activities that constitute an integral part of student life. In his capacity as head of the athletic department, he moderates the Pep Club and "P" Club, and supervises the efficient operation of the sports program.

Father Thomas L. Holoman, in addition to teaching History, Latin, and the Guidance courses, is administrator of the hot lunch program.

The work of these administrators coordinates the efforts of all concerned with making Pius a Class A school.



REV. PAUL E. SHEEHY,
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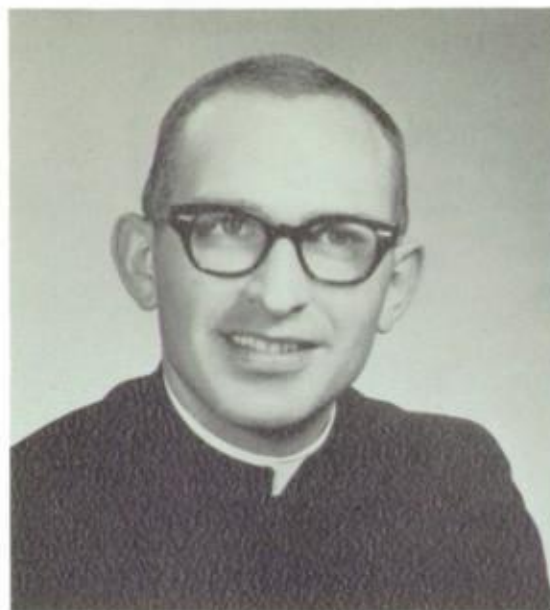


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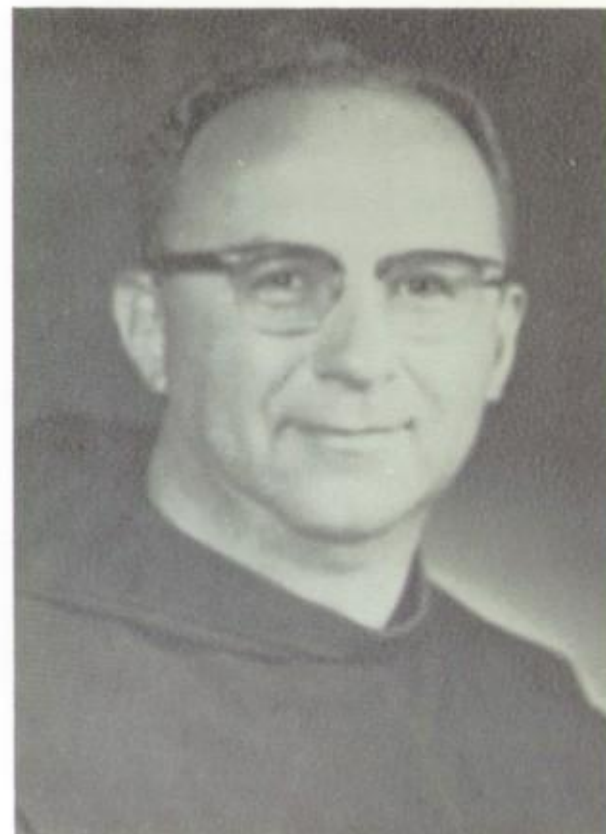
Priests Teaching at Pius X



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To supplement the regular faculty, and to aid the administration in teaching religion and guidance, these curates of the parishes give part of their time to the furthering of the religious and moral stature of the students at Pius X. Not pictured are Reverend Thomas Pucelik and Reverend John Mc-Cabe.

Father Ivan Vap, pastor at Davey and studying for a Master's degree at the University of Nebraska, teaches the Shop and Mechanical Drawing courses.

It is difficult to conceive of our well rounded program being maintained without their valuable assistance.

FACULTY



Drama? Comedy? Mystery? Sister Agnes Richarda, head of the dramatic department, examines potential scripts for the Junior Class play. Sister teaches Declam, Speech, and English III and IV.



The future is uncertain, but Mr. James Biglin, the Guidance Director helps students prepare for the future. His schedule consists of personal interviews, supervising the testing program, and English III.

Sister Ann Marie is the secretary to the administration at Pius X. Besides the many hours spent in the office, Sister teaches Shorthand, Typing, and Bookkeeping courses.



Coach Vince Aldrich is stepping up his offensive strategy. His General Math, Trigonometry, and Geometry classes help him figure the "right angles" for the next game.





"Gotcha!" Mr. Lane Birkel captures another specimen for the biology lab. As head basketball and baseball coach, he hopes to catch state recognition for Pius with his teams. He also teaches Boys' P.E.



Sister Chionia has the right angles, too, but do her students? This she is trying to determine as she ponders over the math books of her future mathematicians. Sister's classes are Plane Geometry, Algebra II, and General Math.

The art of words is the challenge that Mr. John Clinch presents to his students in Debate, Speech, Language Arts, and English II.



A new comer at Pius, Sister Danella prepares classes for English II and III with a new aid--records accompanying the literature text. American Problems is another of Sister's courses.



Faculty



Correcting Office Practice papers must be an enjoyable task, if this picture of Mrs. Patricia Dykeman is any evidence. Her other classes are Bookkeeping and English II.



"Roger Wilco and out"... Sister Mary Gilbert is at the controls of the console in the new language lab. Here, Sister teaches French I and II, but also has classes in American History.

Sister James Elmer is busy planning to instill a patriotic note in her American History classes. Besides teaching Journalism I and II and English III, Sister acts as moderator for the PIUS X-CHANGE.



Who instills the challenge of science in her Biology, Chemistry, and Physics classes? Sister Hortense, of course. And it is she who has immortalized the phrase, "Don't panic."





Are those the '63 basketball rules? Get ready for a workout, girls!! It is Mrs. Ruth Kempkes' task to prepare the girls to meet their physical challenges at Pius X.

Sister Martha checks the needles of the machines after teaching her sewing class. Allied to this is her Home Economics class, but she also teaches Chemistry.



"Uno, duo, tres. . ." It would not be unusual to hear Sister Mary St. Julian counting book covers in Latin; for, with the care of the bookstore, Sister has the added duty of teaching Latin II and III as well as English IV.

A familiar and helpful member of the faculty is Sister Leo Francis. She keeps the library well equipped and is constantly working for improvements. Sister teaches American Problems and Language Arts.



Faculty

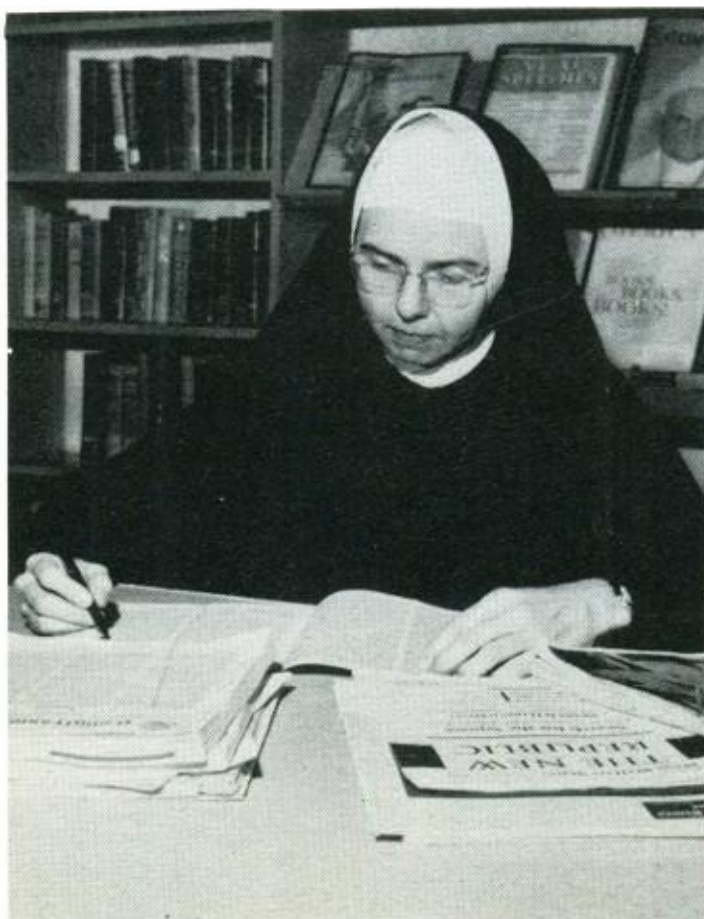


"Who's this?" A question being asked by many students at Pius who are not aware that Mr. Ed Matschullat is the new assistant in our music department.



"a one, a two, a three, a four. . . ." "La dee, dee da, la dee dee da!!" Our band is wonderful, and so is Mr. Phillip Murphy, its director shown here just arriving for his morning session.

"Did you read Barry Goldwater's speech in the Congressional Record?" Sister St. Norine encourages the seniors to be concerned with current events in her American Problems classes. Sister also teaches Typing and General Business classes.



Many hours of preparation enable the faculty to present daily academic challenges which give the students varied opportunities to grow intellectually. They continually strive to find new ways to motivate the students to fulfill their whole learning potential.

This is not all. Each teacher serves as a friend and advisor to the students in his charge. This close personal interest in the individual lends an atmosphere of mutual cooperation that makes the work of all more satisfying.

The role of the faculty as guide was intensified this year as the new program of faculty advisors came into effect. Under this system, the teachers have as advisers the students in their homerooms. They render assistance with problems that call for help or information, but do not require the time of the Guidance Director.

Pius X High School would not be the excellent institution of learning it is were it not for its splendid faculty. Few schools can boast of one that surpasses ours.



Sister Thomas Aquinas teaches English IV and Spanish I and II, but her love of music finds fulfillment in directing our mixed chorus.



What does this picture symbolize? Age, wisdom, or the energetic work of our talented art instructor, Mr. James Studnicka? You'll have to ask him.

Mr. Clay White, assistant football coach, is used to making touchdowns, and he has made one with the students at Pius. He teaches Biology and Boys' P.E.



Sister Pauletta is hard at work publishing her daily news sheet---the absentee list. Besides being Attendance Officer, Sister teaches English II and IV.



OUR PASTORS



Very Rev. J. J. Flynn, V. F.
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Sacred Heart



Rt. Rev. Msgr. C. J. Crowley
Holy Family



Rt. Rev. Msgr. A. J. Kraemer
Blessed Sacrament



Very Rev. Msgr. R. F. Sheehy
St. Thomas Aquinas
1922-1962



R. Rev. Msgr. M. M. Kaczmarek
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St. John



Rev. Kenneth Schlessor, O.F.M.
St. Patrick

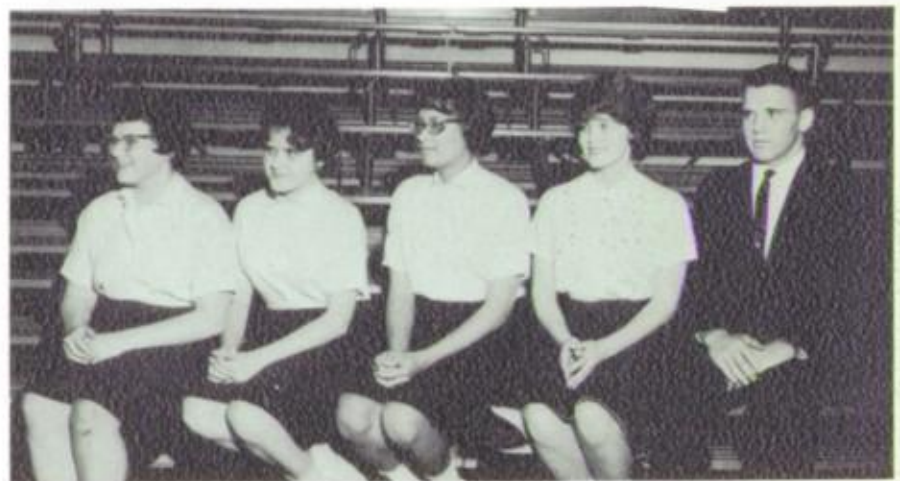
Lucky Scholarship Winners



Nancy Higgins receives her scholarship from Monsignor Kazmarek of St. Theresa Parish.

The final Honors Convocation of the year recognizes all students who have excelled in their scholastic work. The big event, however, is the presentation of scholarships to sophomores and juniors who the faculty considers are working up to their ability and have a financial need. Valued at \$125, these scholarships pay for the student's tuition for one year.

The students must make the application, the faculty votes, and the donors supply the funds. The 1962-63 scholarships were donated by Monsignor Kazmarek, Leander Kalin, Dr. May L. Flannagan, George W. Holmes, John Pavich, Philip Mahoney, Timothy Farrell, Bonacum Council, K of C, Fitzgerald Council, K of C., and Don Trumble. This last had one stipulation, it had to be given to a commercial student.



Juniors who received scholarships: Norma Turner, Patty Stark, Stephanie Cooke, Nancy Higgins, and Steve Drozda.

Senior Recipients



Patty Sintek



Marsha Johnson



Dale Champoux



Mary Jo Mc Donnell



Patty Danek

Home and School Cooperate



COUNTER CLOCKWISE: Mrs. Simpkins, Mrs. White, Mr. Donahue, Mrs. Donahue, Mrs. Caster, Mr. Caster, Mr. Schamp, Mrs. Schamp, Mrs. Sparks, and Mr. Sparks.



LEFT TO RIGHT: Mr. & Mrs. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. Merwick, Mrs. Origer, Mr. Origer, Mrs. Breen, and Mr. Breen.



Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien join other parents in trying to speak the language during a demonstration at January meeting.



Display of materials purchased by the Association, 1961-1962.

"Father Sheehy will now please open the meeting with a prayer." Thus, on the third Monday of each month, Mr. Robert Caster calls the meeting of the Home-School Association to order.

After the usual business has been completed, a special program is presented. These have included: parents carrying out the typical class day of their sons and daughters; tri-council meeting; food shower for the Sisters; explanations by Sister Leo Francis on the library in the student's life and by Sister Mary Gilbert on the use of the language lab; and a question and answer period during which a member of the administration endeavored to explain the school's stand on problems concerning the students.

A special meeting of the Association board is held the second Monday of each month. It is then that the programs for future meetings are planned.

The generous financial aid of the Home-School association is given to a project for the furthering of education at Pius.

Kitchen Staff and Custodians



No matter how you fix it...it's still hamburger.

Aiding the administration in maintaining a smooth-running establishment are the women in the cafeteria and the custodians.

Planning, preparing, and serving the lunches are Mrs. Stainbrook, Mrs. Korinek, Mrs. Noha, and Mrs. Garbacz. By their efficiency, they have succeeded in giving the students a well balanced meal each day.

Clean rooms and corridors testify to the dedicated service of Mr. Eugene Warren and Mr. Frank Eckery. With the cooperation of the students, these men manage to keep our school in tip-top shape.

Their interest in Pius and in the welfare of the student body has commanded respect from all.



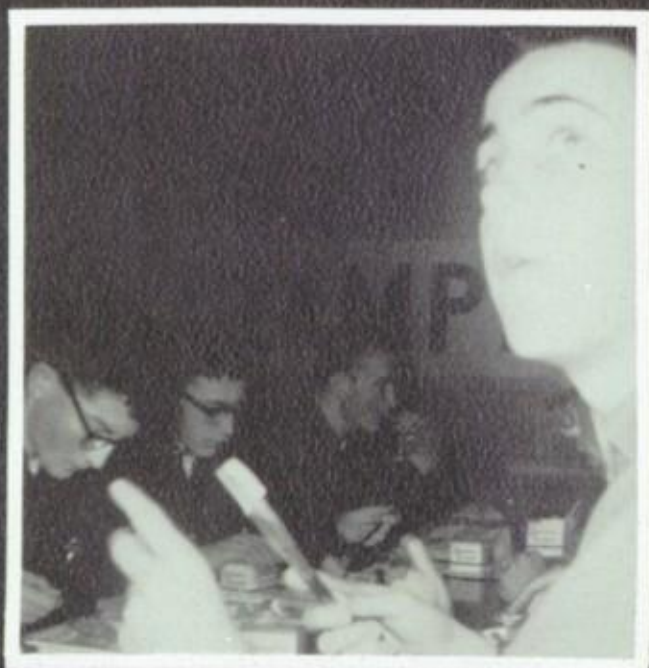
What? an empty trash can?



A little more elbow grease, Mr. Eckery.



STUDENT



Student Council



Pius X Student Council has grown and improved right along with the school. The 1962-1963 Council has followed this tradition by moving continually forward.

This year, the Pius X Student Council was placed in charge of obtaining topics and leaders for the discussions held during the State Convention of Student Councils at Southeast High School. The members returned with excellent ideas for improving the council's work in the school and community.

Everyone appreciates praise. Thus, after the state convention, the Pius X Student Council was gratified to receive the following compliment. A school which was just organizing a Student Council requested a copy of our Constitution and any other suggestion we could offer. In their opinion, from what they had observed at the convention, we had one of the best student councils functioning in the state of Nebraska.

Seeing how the "other half of the world lives" is educational. Therefore, once again, the representatives of the Student Council from Lincoln's public schools spent a day at Pius X, while ours did the same at their schools. This was a part of the city-wide exchange program of the Student Councils.

For the seventh consecutive year, the call for books and audio-visual aids to improve and enlarge our library, was issued by the Student Council. As usual, the students' response was excellent and the drive ended successfully.

Other activities and services performed by the council for the betterment of the school were the patrolling of the corridors during lunch periods, supervising the parking lot, carrying out the courtesy campaign, and the orientation of the sophomores upon their arrival at Pius.

The annual Sadie Hawkins' Dance which the Council sponsored will not be easily forgotten. It was the only time all year that the boys had doors opened for them, and that they did not have to foot the bill for the evening. The high point of the dance was the coronation of Mr. Odd and Miss Odess, chosen by the appropriateness of their attire. They reigned over the evening's festivities.

In closing, I would like to congratulate the staff of the THUNDERER for another job well done. The time and effort which they have spent in compiling this yearbook were well worth while.

Also, on behalf of the entire student body, I would like to take this opportunity to offer the administration and faculty of Pius X High School our deepest and most sincere thanks for their unselfishness in working on our behalf.

Jim Ganser



President Jim Ganser, Vice-president Ladd Lonquist, and Secretary-Treasurer Dale Champoux provided the excellent leadership expected of the Student Council.

The Student Council consists of a group of responsible students, elected by the students themselves, to represent them to the faculty in all school matters. Following the democratic process of representing the student body, they make decisions and present recommendations to the faculty.

On the other hand, they represent the faculty in its dealings with the students. Members of the Student Council, then, shoulder many responsibilities for good order within the school.



"I do solemnly swear.."



A word or two from Father Paul Sheehy, Moderator.



At least some are awake and listening!

Fathers' Little Helpers



"Isn't this fun?"

.....



"Yes, if Father Durr doesn't come in."

Busy as students are, tackling four or five solid subjects, some still find time to help keep our central office running smoothly. These girls handle school business with the proficiency of experts, and are always on hand to meet visitors, answer telephones, and run errands.

Father Durr's Activities Office and Father Kalin's "retreat" are likewise administered by cheerful smiling students.

Mary Jo McDonnell and Pat Clinch, respectively, serve in these latter offices, while Father Sheehy's "girl-Fridays" are: Jane Irvin, Judy York, Mary Ann Noha, Betty DeMars, Patty Danek, Connie Justice, Barbara Barlow, Kathy Sparks, Beverly Armstrong, and Mary Pat Hanigan. Kathy Korinek is the "tuition clerk."



Retreat at Pius



Father Ryburg used Mr. Biglin's office as his headquarters during retreat.



Reading or sleeping, Mike?

"What does it profit a man if he gains the whole world, but suffers the loss of his soul?" These words prevailed in the minds of all Pius students during the annual retreat held this year during the first three days of October. They were impressed upon the students by the retreat master, Father Ryburg of the Columban Fathers with the hope that they would be remembered long after the retreat.

Regular classes were not held on these days. Instead, the days were filled with lectures given by Father, by visits to the blessed Sacrament, Mass, private devotions, and meditation. Pamphlets on vocations, Catholic doctrine, teen questions, and salvation were in all the home rooms for the convenience of the students.

A veil of silence covered Pius as each student took this time to renew in himself his spiritual life.



Eyes right, Floyd!



A moment to read and ponder.

Language Lab Opens in '62



Ah, oui, je comprends la leçon.

Bishop Dedicates Language Lab

Early in October, Most Reverend James V. Casey dedicated our new language lab. Guest of honor at the event was the generous donor, Mr. Edward O'Shea. The laboratory equipment, alone, is valued at seven thousand dollars. Obtaining the necessary texts, records, and tapes for the audio-lingual method of teaching modern languages was the project of the Home-School Association.

Students in the French and Spanish classes used the lab regularly and found that the best way to learn a language is to hear it and speak it. Students who struggled with Latin used the lab frequently to help build their vocabulary.

The use of the language lab has become an important part of our educational system at Pius and will continue to help students master foreign tongues in the future.



U N Day at Duschene



If they are going to "bury" us, they could try not to look so cheerful! Representing Pius and pictured here are Mary Jo McDevitt, Marie Breidaks, Jeanne Hesse, LaVonne Lange,

Marsha Johnson, Betty Aandahl, Cheryl McQuillen, and Nona Mae Rogers.



Yes, and our delegation had 23% fewer defections...

Capitalist! Communist! Warmonger! Charges and counter charges rang through the hall as the General Assembly of the Duschene Mock United Nations was called into session. Girls from many parts of Nebraska and Iowa spent the day representing the diplomats of countries throughout the world.

The afternoon General Assembly was preceded by discussion groups which concentrated on such U. N. problems as disarmament and the Congo.

Russia and Hungary, the two Communist countries, were represented by the Pius delegation. The "Reds" wore red ribbons and red sweaters or blazers to signify their affiliation. They pounded the tables and waved banners denouncing the West whenever they disagreed with pro-Western statements.

A walkout of the "Communist" delegation after a crucial vote which they lost climaxed the session.

Clubs in Action

Scientists of Tomorrow

"You have just observed the filling of this decanter with the lightest element of the world in its purest form. To prove the presence of the hydrogen we will insert into the aperture this flaming taper -----BAM!...Will there be any OTHER volunteers? I know it will work next time."

Scenes similar to this one made this year's Science Club more informative and entertaining (ever see a student in orbit) than ever before. Under the direction of Sister Mary Hortense and Sister Martha, this organization grappled with the mysteries of the cosmos and observed, studied, and experimented to find out the "WHYS" and principles of our surroundings.

The students learned by films, lectures, demonstrations, and failures (their bomb fizzled) of the occasionally frustrating but often rewarding world which confronts the scientist.

An interesting demonstration of the airship was given. Although too cold for actual flight of the airship, the junior scientists of Pius were shown the history, advantages, humor, and fun of manned balloon flights.

Officers of the club were, President George Lonquist, Vice-president Bill Origer, Secretary Susan Foust, and Treasurer Jerry Satterlund.



No, no, Ladd.....this is the way to do it.

Next Year's Editors

Ladders..layouts..cut lines.. copy.. These new terms spun around in the heads of the members of the Junior Editors Club.

To become familiar with the duties of staff members of the yearbook, sophomore and junior students aspiring to work on the '64 THUNDERER, spent many precious minutes at club meetings looking at yearbooks and reading topics on the production of good annuals.

These girls made ladders and planned possible layouts, wrote cut lines, and even tried to write copy.

Under the direction of Mary Eileen Bartlett, seven of these girls will form the staff for next year's THUNDERER.



That's the way they did it.
...we'll do better.

Missionary Aides



Maryknoll missions in China were shown on the opaque projector by Sue Haberlan.

Quality, if not quantity,--that's the Mission Club. Though the smallest, it is one of the most important of the clubs at Pius this year. Under the supervision of Sister Mary Danella, B.V.M. and the leadership of Patty McGovern, President; Theresa Lutz, Secretary; and Judy Stark, Treasurer, this group works together learning more about foreign missions and their life in other countries.

The big project of the Mission Club was another first for Pius: they sponsored a drive for financial aid for Miss Rita Olson, Lincoln's first Papal Volunteer for Latin America.

A private luncheon is being planned by the members for the end of the year.

Internationalists



"When I was in Belgium" is the theme of Bev Armstrong's talk to the club at an early meeting.

A smorgasbord attended by club members and foreign exchange students living in Lincoln highlighted the program for the International club. To organize and plan this event were the officers, Janet Sweet, Joe Schroer, and Betty De Mars.

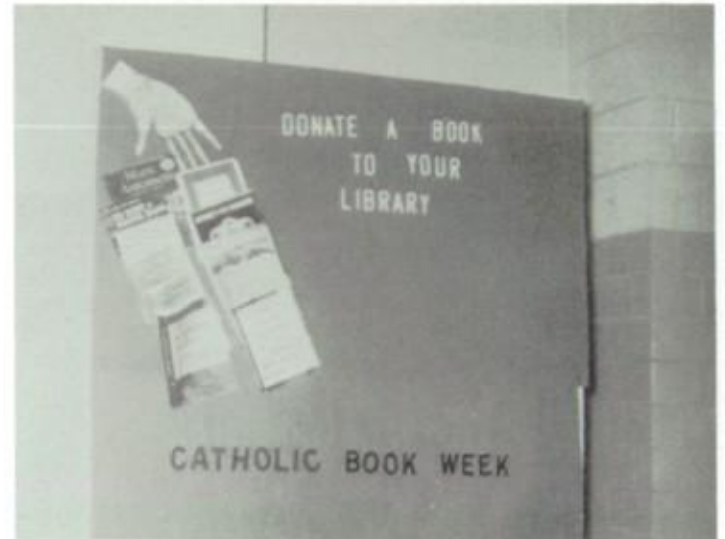
The club members were addressed by various foreign students and by our own A F S student, Beverly Armstrong, at their meetings throughout the year.

Because of the interest of the students at Pius in international affairs and in the customs and ideals of other countries, this club has the largest membership.

Librarians Keep Busy



Posters go up along with spirit as annual Book Drive gets under way.



Living up to their name, the girls of the Library Club assist Sister Leo Francis in the administration of our library. In addition to keeping files in order, checking out books and arranging them on the shelves, the girls found time to sponsor a coupon drive and co-sponsor with the Student Council a successful book drive.

The officers of this active group are Marijane Beals, Mary Pat Hanigan, and Joann Wilson.

Latin Club Entertains Guests



Good time for a demerit card check?

A Roman banquet, complete with consuls, senators, and slaves provided for the members of the Latin Club and their guests and evening of entertainment rarely matched.

Haughty senators (upperclassmen) gave orders to humble slaves (sophomores) while Bob Chaves played the guitar. (A guitar in Rome!!)

Hosting the state Junior Classical League Convention was the big project of the year. This convention drew delegates from Latin clubs throughout the state, and included contests in mythology, derivatives, vocabulary, and Roman costumes.

Officers of this club were John Dold, Consul; Jane Irvin, Proconsul; Dianne McDonnell, Scriba; and Bordon Plosky, Quaestor.

Moderator of the Latin Club was Sister Mary St. Julian, B.V.M.

Chorus Enjoys Success



An outstanding first for the chorus of Pius X was the opportunity to sing at the Diocesan Confirmation at Pershing Auditorium during the Diamond Jubilee celebration of the Lincoln Diocese.

Under the direction of Sister Thomas Aquinas, B.V.M., these students practiced diligently and entertained parents and students in the Christmas cantata and the Spring Festival of Song. Barbara Barlow and Gretchen Owens are the student accompanists.



Our Snappy Band Improves



BASS AND DRUM SECTION FRONT ROW: Mary Alice Mack, Mary Barton, Tom Dixon, Jack Eiting, and Bordon Plosky. REAR ROW: Dale Prell, Bob Koziol, Steve Rutt,

Jerry Satterlund, Kathy Casey, Cathy Loudon, Mary Margaret Urwiller, and Norman Strizek.

Under the able direction of Mr. Phillip Murphy, our band, after only three years, set a new record. Fifty-five active members participated actively in all events.

Hosting the Catholic Band Invitational Festival, performing at sports events and rallies, and entertaining the students at the Christmas assembly were the fall and winter activities for our band.

In the District Music Contest, Pius was well-represented by five soloists and three ensembles who competed for honors.

Grand Finale of the year was the Spring Concert. Extra members from the junior high schools swelled the number to two hundred.



"When the saints come marching in" played by the band added pep to the Pep Club cheers.



CLARINET SECTION FIRST ROW: Kathy Carey, Cecilia Bahle, Mary Ann Noha, Patricia Keefe, Mary Kehr, Linda Smith, SECOND ROW: Vicky Stainbrook, Rose Marie Rempe, Pat Stark, Linda Bonin, Cathy McCabe, Collette Malolepszy. TOP ROW: Stephanie Cooke, Cathy Cunningham, Cheryl Haas, Gary Bond, John Dold, Jeanne Hesse, and Connie Chesshir.



John Ceraolo--Trumpet



Carole Shirley--Flute



Dale Prell--Bass Horn



Mary Kehr--Clarinet



SAX - FLUTE SECTION FRONT ROW: Chris Sherman, Donna Tegtmeier, Roberta Herman, Carole Shirley, Susan Charlson. REAR ROW: Barbara Weitzel, Sue Mahoney, Gene Springer, Jack Esser, Paul Hartz, Irene Gorynski, and Susan Nevole.



Tom Dixon--Drum



Entertainment at the half time gave evidence of band's abilities.



Chris Sherman--Bell Lyre



Judy York--French Horn



BRASS AND FRENCH HORN SECTION FRONT ROW: Dixie Breitfelder, Susan Fouts, Judy York. REAR ROW: Susan Tate, Paul Wagner, Steve Briggs, John Ceraolo, Dan Hoover, Mary Bonde, and Carole Jane Coe.



Gene Springer--Alto Sax



Sue Mahoney--Tenor Sax



Jerry Satterlund--Trombone



Collette Malalopszy -- Bass Clarinet

We're the Thunderettes...Seniors



Starting fourth from the left are the senior home-room representatives; Bev Armstrong; Betsy White,

Vice-president; Mary Jo McDonnell, President; Kathy Glynn; and Patty Danek. Kathy Korinek is not pictured.

The biggest single effort of the year for the senior Pep Club members was the Homecoming festivities. Decorating the stadium twice--because the first time the game and decorations were rained out--made Homecoming even more memorable. Wearing yellow corsages at the game and preparing the throne and red carpet for the royalty at the dance were all a part of the excitement for seniors.

All Pep Club activities committees were headed by senior members. Linda Spaulding had charge of the signs in school and at the stadium. Pep rallies were the duty of Lynne Robinson's committee. Betty DeMars, Rosemary Chace, and their committee decided on the themes and decorations for each game.

Cheering in the pouring rain, soaked to the skin but loving every minute of it, the thrill of the last football game will, perhaps more than all the exciting basketball games, remain most vividly in the memories of senior Thunderettes.

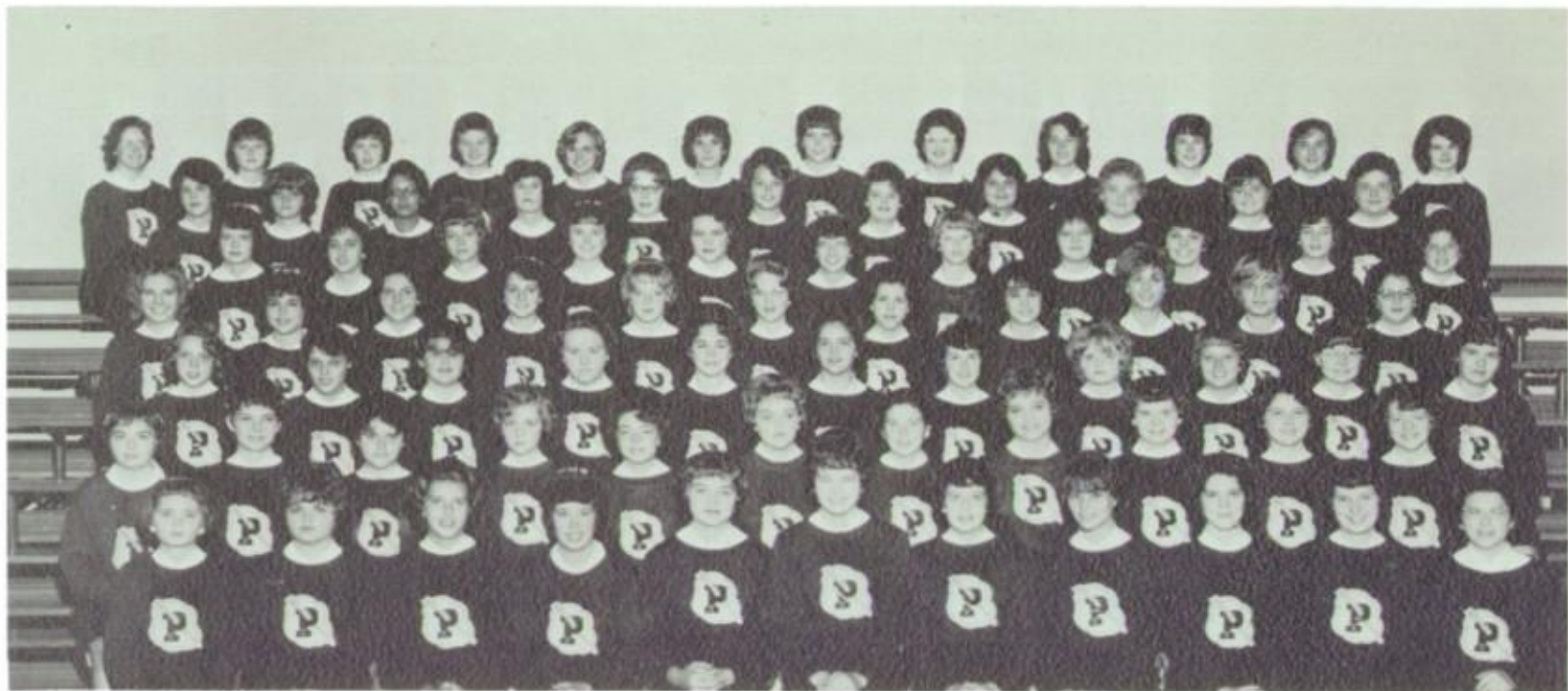


LaVonne, hold that tiger!



Pius downs Castro and Omaha Cathedral in mock U. N. Security Council during pep rally staged by seniors.

...Juniors



Junior homeroom representatives and officers seated third from left are: Peggy Liewer; Kathy Rierden; Donna Tegtmeier (later replaced by Virginia Lehr)

Connie Justice, Treasurer; Diane McDonnell, Secretary; Dorothy Rezac; Mary Eileen Bartlett; and Jean McLaughlin.

Junior Pep Club members spent many hours decorating for games and planning skits for pep rallies. In addition, they helped to make the Athletic Banquet and "All Sports Day" successful. Keeping the Pep Club well organized and the members up to date was the chief aim of the homeroom representatives, Gerry Judy, a member of the sign committee, was responsible for seeing that spirited posters were always ready and in place.

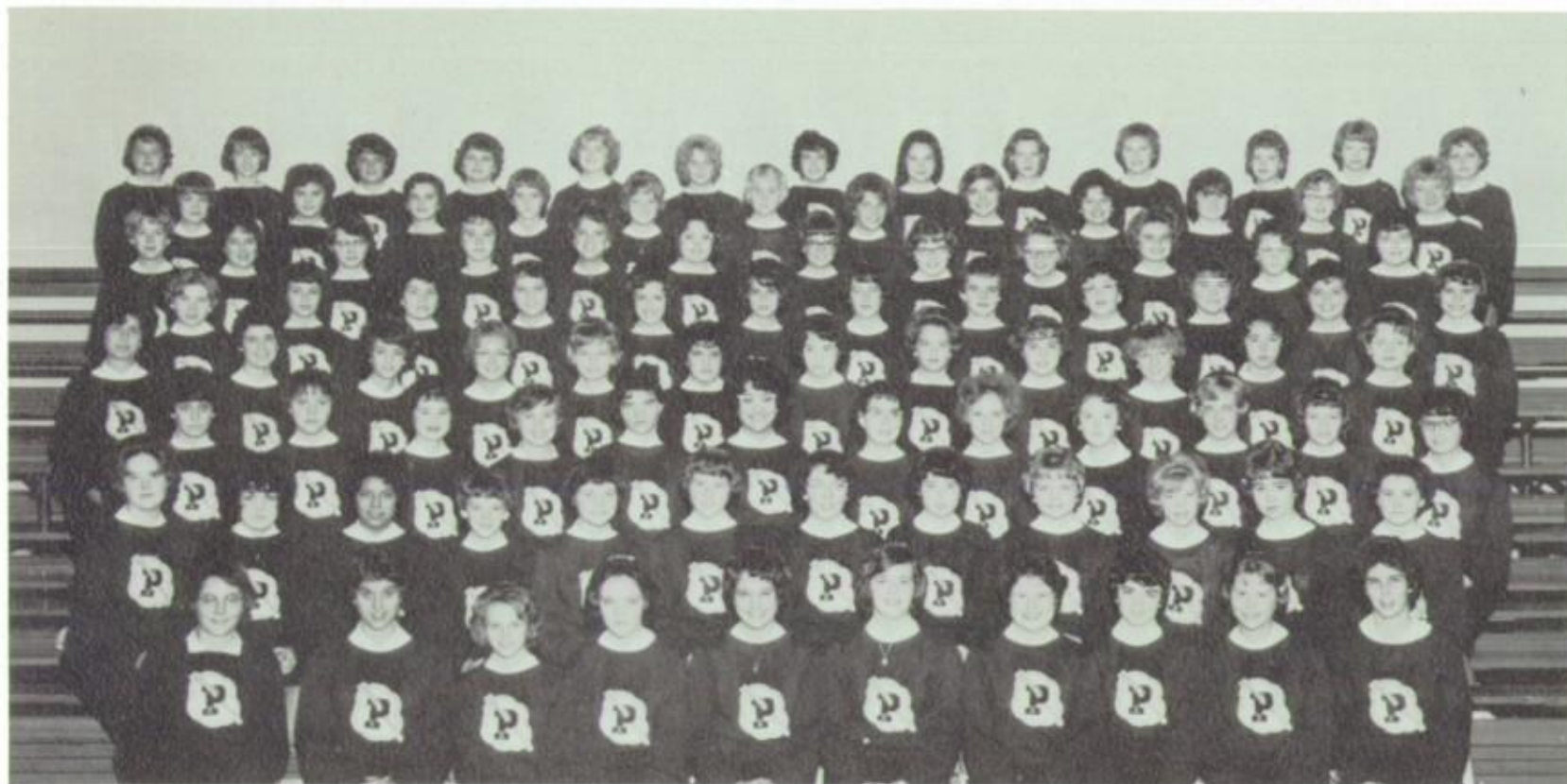


Poor Ramblers! This is all that was left of them.



Ghouls rejoice as Pius digs grave for Southeast as presented by juniors during pep rally.

...Sophomores



"We're from Pius and we couldn't be prouder..."

"We'll yell a little louder!" Sophomore Pep Club members were louder than any other class, not only because there were so many of them, but also because of their enthusiasm and spirit. It did not take them long to learn the cheers and join wholeheartedly with the upperclassmen.

Try-outs for cheerleaders caused many sophomores to spend hours of practice nightly, both at home and at school.

At homecoming, the sophomores spent more hours each Saturday before the game making pompons which were distributed to all Thunderettes.

Serving as sophomore home room representatives were Pat Dolan, Peggy Arth, Patsy McGovern, Peggy McGovern, Susanne Pospichal, and Mary Margaret Brady.



"Is that how you seniors make posters?" ask the sophomores.

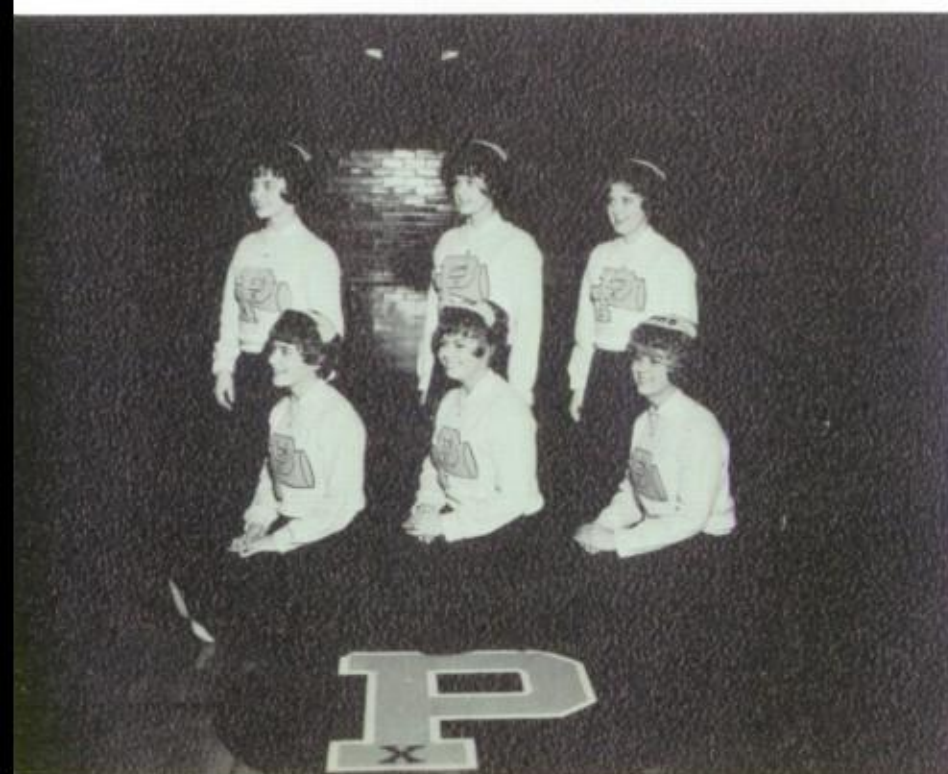


This is how we make baskets and liven up the Pep Club and students at our rally.

Pep Club Leading Ladies



Thunder! Thunder! Thunderation! We're the Thunderbolt Combination.....



VARSITY: Janet Sweet, La Vonne Lange, Marijane Beals, Joan Focht, Ann Higgins and Sharon Houser.



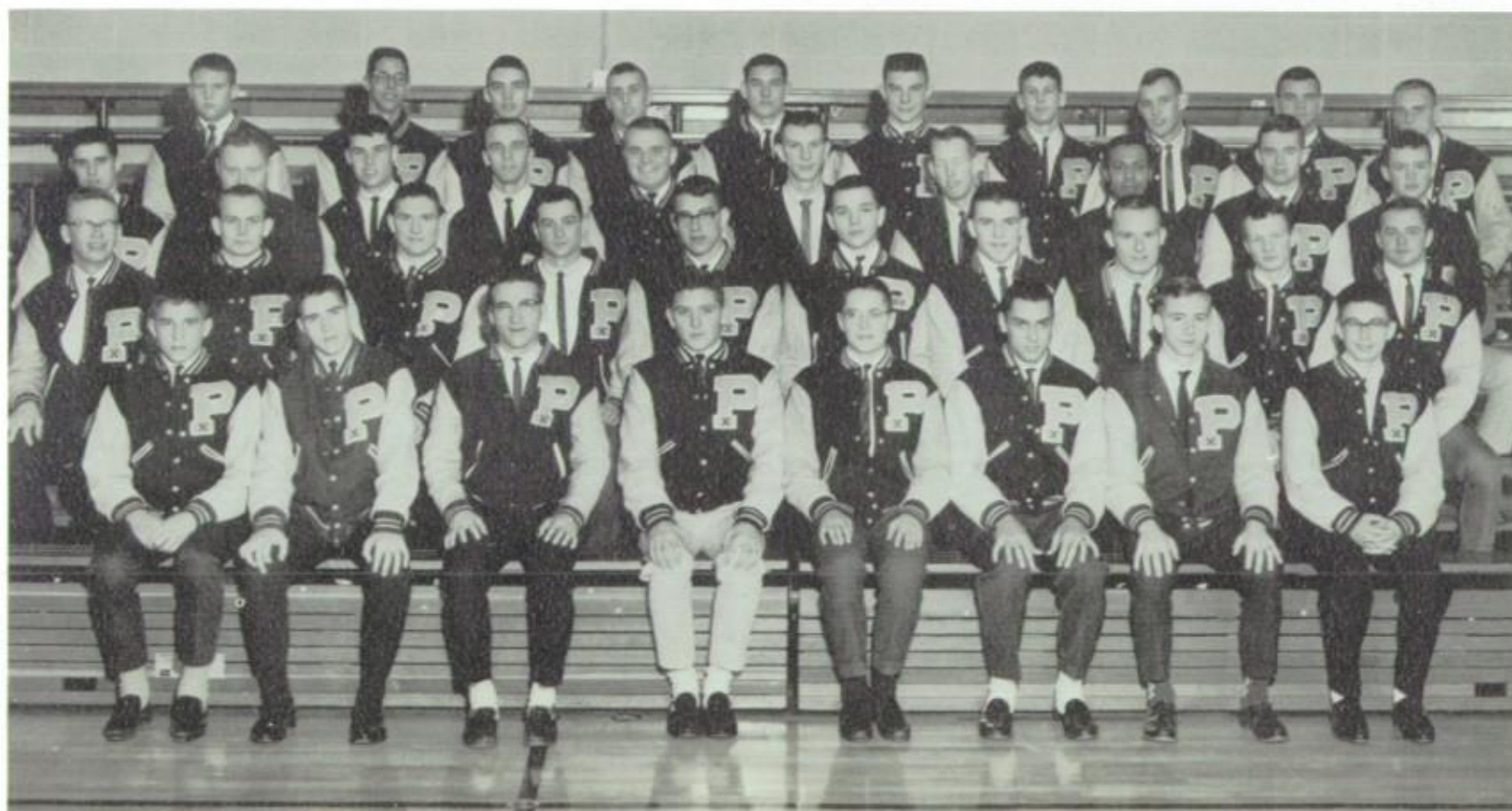
RESERVES: Dianne Messineo, Lynne Field, Nancy Higgins, and Mary Rae Baker.

"P" Club: Our Lettermen

A unified and expressive organization resulted from the leadership of President Doug Barrett, Vice-president Dale Champoux, and Secretary-Treasurer Jim Sutera. The "P" Club includes all lettermen; and a pride was developed in wearing the "P," as Pius X athletic teams proved themselves capable performers in every sport and drew recognition for their spirit and determination.

As a group, beside the Thunderettes, the "P" clubbers became well-known for their effervescent effusions at key moments during the basketball games. Half-time brought work and a few problems. Lettermen roped off the gym floor and debated over whose turn it was to police the visitor's Pep Club section.

Members in the "P" Club received rewards in the form of fun and good-natured banter as they carried out their duties during the school year.



Pius X on the Air



Debaters on their way to KFOR.

Students on "Voice of the Young Citizen" Program

"Why I should go to college" was the topic for the senior debaters Cheryl McQuillen, Bob Caster, Mike Laughlin and Joe Olson on the KFOR "Voice of the Young Citizens" program. This was the first group to represent Pius, and was under the chairmanship of Mike Laughlin.

One month later, in November, Sister Mary Gilbert's fifth period history class had a turn on the air. Their subject "Discipline" was well presented by Joann Wilson, Jerry Satterlund, Kathy Pattison, and Donna Tegtmeier under the leadership of Dick Harrington as chairman. Because they did so well, they appeared again on KUON-TV, January 31.



Juniors practice for appearance on TV program.

A senior American Problems class, under the direction of Sister Leo Francis spoke on the Congo in December over station KFOR. Panelists Pat Ryan, Dick Chelchowski, Jeanne Hesse and Marie Breidaks enjoyed working under the chairman, Betty Aandahl.

Seniors at station KFOR.



1963 Thunderer Goes to Press Early



Larry Abbott, Editor; Betty DeMars, Business Manager; and Mary Bartlett, Co-editor.

Isn't this Thunderer of '63 the very best? All staff members will say "Of course," and Sister Mary Gilbert, O.P., the faculty advisor, will wholeheartedly agree.

Many long hours were spent in preparing this bigger and better annual.

The industrious labor of the layout group, Lynne Robinson, Kathy O'Brien, Larry Abbott, and Mary Eileen Bartlett produced the position of pictures and copy on each page. Writing accounts of organizations and events brought out the talents of Cheryl McQuillen, Julie Morris, Pat Stark and Ladd Lonquist. Captions under the pictures and those witty remarks are due to the serious thoughts of Marge Mulligan and the queer humor of Mike Laughlin and Betsy White. And the striking headlines? They were the result of much thought by Rosemary Baker. None of this could have achieved best results without the work of our photographers Dave Woods and Sue Hanlon, with the added help of our editor.

Considerable thanks must be given to the Haberman studios in Hastings and the untiring and unselfish work by John Day, friend and neighbor of Larry Abbott.



The darkness outside fails to dim the enthusiasm of the layout staff.



Big discussion over copy and cutlines.



Eeny, meeny, miney, moe...Where does this headline go?

Pius X-change



James Iwan, Feature Editor; Kathy Glynn, Editor; and Mary Jo McDonnell, Business Manager.



Linda gives some hints to juniors Dianne and Donna.

Roll the presses! This cry is heard every month as another issue of the Pius X-Change goes to print. Moderator Sister James Elmer directed the journalists as they sought to provide the student body with a continually improving paper. As managing editor, Kathy Glynn headed the busy staff of reporters. Business manager Mary Jo McDonnell's chief duty was advertising, an important part of any publication.

Mary Pat Hanigan, Linda Spaulding, Rosemary Chace, and Tim Ritzo, page editors, decided on the layout and content of each page. James Iwan and John Strobe were in charge of the feature and sports departments respectively, while Betty Aandahl served as headline and photo editor. Joe Olson was official photographer.



Also learning the "trade," Kathy and Sue listen to Mary Pat's advice.



Tim Ritzo and John Strobe are shown with Joe Olson deciding which pictures to use on their pages.

Editor Kathy Glynn works alone.



Juniors as Thespians



"Emotionally unstable!! If she thinks she can say that about her parents, she's badly mistaken."



Father takes word association test: "woman"...."Martha";
"house"....."paint";"comfort"....."Martha."



"But dear, I have to do my work when I'm at my E.P."

Junior Class Presents

One of the highlights of the year for juniors was the annual class play. A witty, hilarious three-act comedy, "The Little Dog Laughed," by Vera and Ken Trapley, under the direction of Sister Agnes Richarda, O.P., with student directors, Lynn Field and Donna McQuillen, was a financial and social success.

A double cast and large production staff enabled almost any junior, who wanted to do so, to take part.

CAST:

Gus, Part time helper B. Wiegert
N. J. Martin

Martha, Laurie's mother Mary J. Sharrar
C. Charnicki

Wally, Laurie's brother G. Lonquist
P. York

Laurie, college sophomore B. Barlow
M. E. Bartlett

Sidney, Father of Laurie Steve Drozda
Mike Schamp

Honeywell, a taxidermist Steve Briggs
Bernard Kersey

Mark, Joan's cousin Tom Knight
James Biggs

Members of Martha's club:

Caroline C. Justice
J. DeVaney

Grace J. McLaughlin
M. J. Englehard

Amelia N. Higgins
J. Focht

Walola J. Wilson
C. Cunningham

Theresa C. Malolepszy
K. Watts

Ted Wood, Sid's Competitor Jim O'Gara

Lilian Wood, Joan's mother K. Dolan

Joan Wood, Wally's girl K. Costin
S. Fouts



Christmas Cantata

"At the Feet of the Madonna" Is Presented By Students.



Our traditional pageant gave way this year to a Christmas cantata under the direction of Sister Thomas Aquinas, B.V.M. The presentation used a chorus of twenty girls to dramatize the passage of time and the presence of the Madonna for all times.



A young mother, a martyr, a queen, a pioneer woman, a modern girl, - each during the course of centuries, turned to Our Lady for help and guidance. Mary answered each one with understanding and affection as a mother answers her child. Jeanne Hesse portrayed the Madonna while Nona Rogers, Lynne Robinson, Pat Clinch, Kathy Sparks, and Betty De Mars were her petitioners.



The singing choir provided Christmas carols and traditional songs. Soloists were Janice Devaney, Judy Polak, and Mike Schamp.

Speech and Debate



Lynne Robinson, Mike Schamp, Bob Caster, and Eileen McEnery were awarded third place trophy at Diocesan meet.



Mary Zimmer, Diane Messineo, Pat Phillips, and Patty Morrow: winners at the beginners' meet.

Speech and debate groups give evidence of well-roundedness of a Pius education. Learning the essentials of correct diction, voice control, and poise before an audience aids students to live fuller lives in the future.

Students participating in speech contests spent many hours memorizing, reading, and writing original speech material for specific categories. Representing Pius well at these meets were Bob Caster in Original Oratory and T V Commentary; Mike Schamp in Interpretative Oratory and T V Commentary; Lynn Robinson and Rosemary Chace in Interpretative Prose and Poetry; and Steve Drozda in Informative Public Address.

Thirteen sophomores entered the beginners' meet at Mercy High: Mary Zimmer, Diane Messineo, Pat Phillips, Patty Morrow, Bill Origer, Dick Dosek, Rosemary Raney, Judith Smith, Julie Robinson, Cindy Jelinek, Ken Millard, Irene Lysko, and Mary Barton.



Bob Caster holds trophy won in keen competition at Creighton Prep meet, and below puts Cheryl McQuillen through the question period for debate.

Debate offers its varsity members fierce competition with the best extemporaneous speakers that high schools from three states have to offer. Seniors Cheryl McQuillen, Joe Olson, Bob Caster, Mike Laughlin, and juniors Cathy Mead, Jim Biggs, Bill Bomberger, and Dick Harrington comprised the varsity for '62-'63 season.

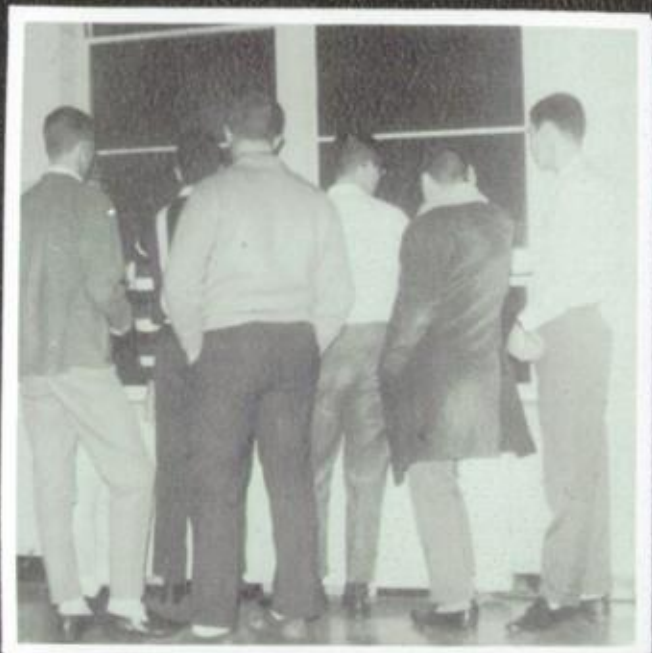
Sophomore debaters learn quickly the worth of hard work and logic toward winning in debate. Both teams this year enjoyed working under the new coach, Mr. John Clinch.

Before the season is completed, a "little thunder" will have resounded at approximately nine tournaments which will be climaxed by the National Forensic League, the District, and the State tournaments.





— UNDER



CLASSMEN

Class of '64



Under the leadership of the class officers; namely, Steve Drozda, George Lonnquist, Kathy Meade and Jack Ganser (not pictured), the junior class sponsored the post game dances during the football and basketball seasons.

The juniors produced their fine play, "The Little Dog Laughed," participated in County Government Day, and sponsored the Inaugural Ball. But the most important function of the year was the Junior-Senior Prom.

Terrence Adams
Thomas Aguilar
Kathleen Aldrup
Joyce Arkfeld



Kathleen Arrigo
Mary Kay Arthaud
Rosemary Baker
Barbara Barlow



Thomas Baroch
Elizabeth Barratt
Mary Eileen Bartlett
Paula Bartunek





Veronica Belcher
James Biggs
William Bomberger
Garry Bond



Mary Jean Bosak
Paul Brannen
Stephen Briggs
Gregory Carter



Bonnie Champoux
Claire Charnicki
Robert Chaves
Leslie Childs



At Pius we learn physics, geometry and ping pong.

Class of '64

Jerry Ann Coe
Stephanie Cooke
Kathleen Costin
Catherine Cunningham



Mark Cunningham
Patrick Dalton
William Dean
Janice De Vaney



Kathleen Dolan
Susan Dolan
John Dold
Lawrence Donahue



Stephen Drozda
Francis Duch
Lawrence Dugger



Antoinette Dwyer
Steven Easley
Mary Jean Englehard



Juniors enjoy trying out
for their class play.



Margaret Enyeart
Leo Eskey
Susan Faust
James Feather



Lynn Field
Robert Fitzgerald
Joan Focht
Susan Fouts



David Fusco
John Ganser
Donna Garbacz
Kathleen Garde



Genevieve Garver
Barbara Gates
Michael Geiger
Donna Getscher



Mary Glenn
Irene Gorynski
Dennis Guerin
Cheryl Haas

Class of '64

Jeanne Hamsa
John Hanigan
Richard Hanlon
Richard Harrington



Daniel Heironymus
Nancy Higgins
James Hoaglin
Thomas Hoidal



Sharon Houser
Joseph Jablonski
Gerald Jochum
Geraldine Judy



Constance Justice
Peter Kalita
Thomas Keenan
Bernard Kersey



Thomas Knight
Marjory Kobza
Michael Kobza
Virginia Lehr





Margaret Liewer
Kathleen Ligett
George Lonnquist
Victor Looney



Rosemary Lyons
Collette Malolepszy
Angela Mara
Nancy Jo Martin



Dianne McDonnell
Marianna McEntaffer
Jean McLaughlin
Donna McQuillen



Katherine Meade
James Mestl
Richard Miller
James Moat



"I'll never get this memorized!"

Julia Morris
Stephen Mueting
Marjorie Mulligan
Cheryl Murphy



Michael Oenbring
James O'Gara
Phillis O'Rourke
Catherine Pattison



Barbara Phillips
Constance Piccolo
Bordon Plosky
Miriam Pope



Rita Powell
Michael Reinig
Dorothy Rezac
Katherine Rierden



Class of '64

"Neither will I."





Charleen Ryan
Gerald Satterlund
Michael Schamp
Mary Schmitz



Patricia Schneider
Robert Schuster
Kenneth Scott
Mary Jo Sharrar



Carole Shirley
Daniel Smith
Eugene Springer
Patricia Stark



Susan Steele
Judith Stransky
Thomas Sullivan
John Sutera



Susan Sweeney
Jeannine Synak
Donna Tegtmeier
James Thomas

Class of '64

Michael Toughill
Daniel Tresnak
Norma Turner



Mary Urwiller
Stephen Vampola
Richard Vaske
Gwenn Voelker



William Wagner
Kathleen Watts
Barbara Weigert
Martha Weiler



Christopher Wickham
Jo Ann Wilson
Jean Marie Winn
Annette Wunderlich



Paul York
Michael Zeigler



Rudolpho learns to read English.

Class of '65



Young, vibrant, loaded with potential, this describes the Class of '65. Great things are destined for them; great things will be accomplished by them. Only a few months at Pius were needed for them to display a maturity and striving for excellence which excelled their years.

There is little doubt that this class will make its mark in the classroom, on the athletic field, and in the complex world of the future.

The class of '65 is under the leadership of Tom Creal, Mike Dalton, Rosemary Alesio, and Patricia Dolan.



Linda Abshire
Rosemary Alesio
Margaret Arth
Patricia Baete
Cecilia Bahle



Kenneth Bahm
Mary Rae Baker
Steven Baker
William Barclay
David Barry



Donald Barry
Mary Barton
Gerald Batliner
David Benjamin
Patrick Beste



Lupi Blanco
Mary Bonde
Mary Brady
Dixie Breitfelder
Karen Brewer

Class of '65

Carole Brow
Kathleen Carey
Jeanne Carter
Kathleen Carter
Kathleen Casey
Thomas Casey



James Chance
William Chadderdon
Susan Charlson
Michael Chaves
Constance Chesshir
Richard Childs



Dayle Churchill
Gloria Clinch
John Clyne
Daniel Connelly
Karen Cooney
Dennis Cote



Thomas Creal
Michael Cristo
Michael Curran
Michael Dalton
Daniel Danker
Leilony Delaney



It's fun to be in school at night.



Head, hand, foot and pluck, but no prize for this homecoming float.





Melody Delaney
Dennis Dixon
Gary Dolan
Patricia Dolan
Richard Dosek
Donald Duncan



Gregory Easley
James Eiting
Gloria Enright
John Esser
Christine Franklin
Judith Frederich



Ronald French
Patricia Friel
Michael Fuller
Genevieve Garcia
Maureen Garde
Daniel Gatto



Julio Gonzales
John Gorges
Nancy Guinane
Bernard Haag
Suzanne Haberman
Thomas Hadwick



Sandra Hall
Bernard Hansen
Ronald Hansen
Eugene Hartz
Paul Hartz
Gary Hays



Sophomores face challenge.... open the locker
in three minutes.

Class of '65

William Hendricks
 Roberta Herman
 Francis Hesse
 Donald Hoover
 Douglas Janky
 Cynthia Jelinek



Anne Johnson
 Richard Johnson
 David Kafka
 Patricia Keefe
 Mary Kehr
 Kathleen Kelly



Kathryn Killeen
 John Kopf
 Robert Koziol
 Richard Kucera
 Linda Lake
 Glenn Lally



Jane Lange
 George Lehr
 Joyce Lindhurst
 Marilyn Linneman
 Catherine Loudon
 Theresa Lutz



John Lyne
 Irene Lysko
 Mary Macaluso
 Mary Alice Mack
 Helen Malone
 John Maloney



John Martin
 Nancy Martinez
 Constance Maun
 Cathleen McCabe
 Clement McCarty
 Hugh McDevitt





Margaret McGovern
Patricia McGovern
Jerome McKernan
Diane Messineo
Kenneth Millard
Margaret Miller



Patricia Moat
Patricia Morrow
Maureen Murphy
Nadine Murphy
Thomas Murphy
Aline Navarro



James Neal
Larry Nebesniak
Susan Nevole
Lyne O'Keefe
William Origer
Gretchen Owens



Patricia Phillips
Thomas Philpott
Gordon Polak
Susanne Pospichal
Dale Prell
Eduardo Prendez



Rosemary Raney
James Reams
John Recko
Michael Reddish
Rosemary Rempe
Gregory Renter



Julie Robinson
William Robinson

First day problem. . .Where's room 108?

Class of '65

Michael Rossita
Ruth Royal
Stephen Rutt
Richard Schmidt
Michael Schmieder
Linda Schmitt



Michael Schneider
Susan Schneider
William Schommer
William Schubert
Christine Sherman
Scott Shipferling



Janet Simpkins
Sandra Sivahop
Frederick Smith
Judith Smith
Judith Smith
Linda Smith



Richard Smith
Shelly Smith
Bernard Sommers
Cheri Soucie
Mary Kay Soukup
Douglas Splain



Victoria Stainbrook
Janice Strasburg
Ruth Steer
Michael Stefkovich
Norman Strizek
Sherril Strough



Ann Strunc
Patricia Sullivan
Sally Sullivan
Robert Svaboda
Marilyn Swanson





Susan Tate
Dennis Tegtmeier
John Thompson
Ardith Titterington
Mary Trainor
Jane Tresnak



Kathleen Tutty
Eugene Van Ackerman
Raymond Vavak
Angel Vidal
Douglas Waymar
Marsha Wedberg



Barbara Weitzel
Lawrence Wheeler
Patricia Whitney
Shirley Worster
Cheryl Woulf
Theodore Wunderlich



Anna May Zadina
Mary Zimmer
Kenneth Zweig



Energy expended during tryouts for cheerleaders.



Energy expenses. . .



SOCIAL



LIFE

Homecoming Activities



It lit up...it talked...it ran away with first prize!

Long, hard hours of planning and constructing produced the large, ingenious floats which decorated Pius halls the week before Homecoming. Members of homerooms, proud of their results, debated even after the winners were chosen as to whose float was REALLY best.

Fun, excitement, spirit, and suspense dominated the atmosphere as the question, "Who will be the new royalty?" was asked. The pressure reached its peak during Friday lunch hour voting. Speculation of the results, and anticipation of the half-time events at the night game were added ingredients to the emotional strain.

Then the rains came...and came...and came.



Viva la Royalty!



Their Majesties King Pat and Queen LaVonne,

One day later, spirits revived, and braving wet seats, loyal Pius fans watched as the Thunderbolts rolled over hapless Omaha Cathedral 34-6. Half-time announcements of the newly elected Royalty brought a roar of approval as Queen LaVonne Lange, King Pat Ryan, Princess Marijane Beals, and Earl Ladd Lonquist were crowned the 1962 Homecoming Royalty. Adding to the color of the event, the senior Pep Club members assembled on the gridiron to form the honor guard.

The satisfying victory made spirits skyrocket for the dance which followed. Parents, alumni, and students watched as the Royalty were ushered to their thrones to reign over the evening's festivities.



...and now, the Royalty of '62.



Bright fire and a scorching victory.

Before the Inaugural Ball



Who's collecting the nomination votes?



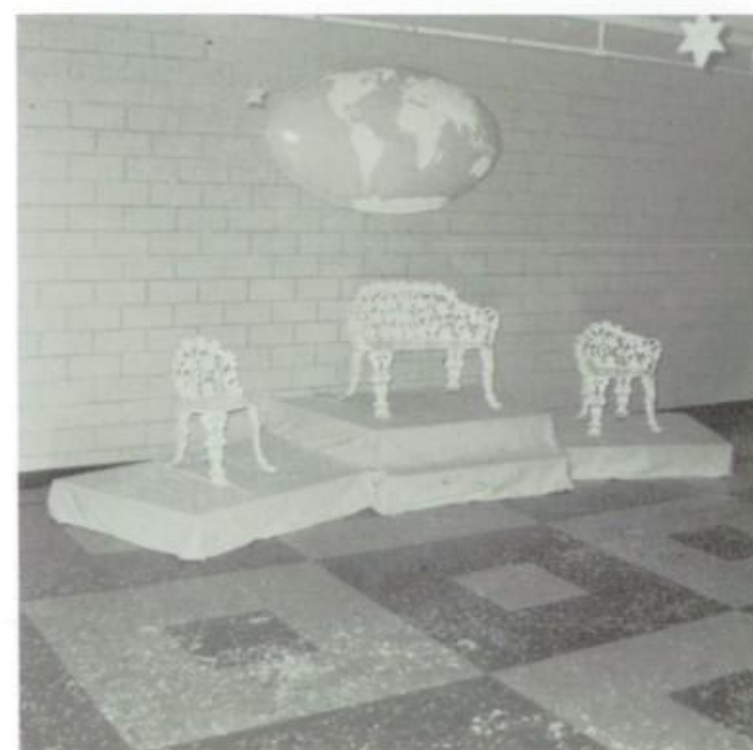
Keeping the ballots under lock and key.



Five hundred votes for George Lonnquist!!



Theme of the ball.



Thrones await occupation by royalty.

Students Enjoy a Gala Evening

Soft, dreamy music rose from the Pius activity room on February 16, as the annual Inaugural Ball wended its way to success.

The juniors, recognizing that this was the first big dance for which they were responsible, spent many weeks preparing the decorations and choosing suitable music.

To concur with the theme "Celestial Paradise" the room was decorated in blue and silver, while blue lights danced over stars hung from the ceiling. The thrones for the royalty were of white wrought iron placed beneath a blue and white globe of our world.

Previously, during the week, the students voted for the twenty-four candidates nominated for the honor of being the royalty. The winners were announced during the evening.

With hearty congratulations and joyful smiles of pride for the reigning couples, the memorable ball came to a close.



Chosen to reign at Inaugural Ball: George Lonnquist, prince; Bernar Rempe, king; Judy York, queen; and Marijane Beals, princess.



Last chance for votes as coronation time approaches.



Crystal Ball Memories



"OUCH! Doug, did you say you took dancing lessons?"



"Whadayamean, 'Three's a crowd'?"

Dancing and dining highlighted a fun-filled evening at the Crystal Ball. Snow laden evergreens along with snow drifts gave the annual affair held at the East Hills Country Club the effect of a "Winter Wonderland" which provided the theme for the first formal occasion of the 1962-63 school year.

Laughter and gaiety resounded throughout the building as more couples continued to arrive, and as the chaperones, parents of the senior class officers, and faculty members encouraged the fun-making and frolicking. Soft drinks and hors d'oeuvres provided the source for antagonizing one's appetite for a more filling indulgence after the dance. Twelve o'clock, the bewitching hour, marked the completion of an evening which will be treasured by many as one filled with pleasant memories.



Other Days at Pius



All this work by homeroom 203 and no prize!



It's beautiful! It's the money from the chocolate drive! Call Father Kalin!



The Pop! Pop! Popeye! dance after game with Southeast.



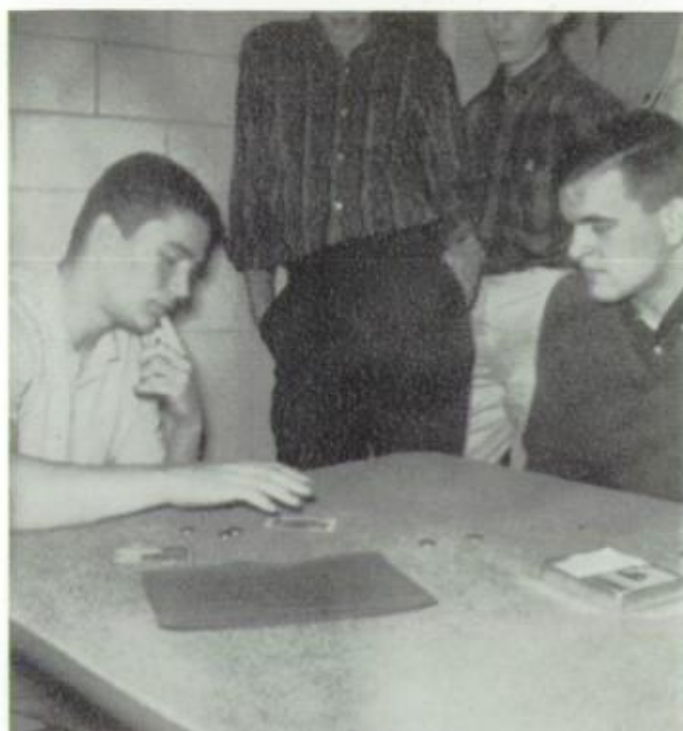
Should we have a shorter tiger or larger paper?

Carnival Days



It's OK here, boys..

but not in the lounge!



Everybody, just everybody, enjoyed the cake, cookies, and candy.



Take it easy, Doug! He knows how to do it...

See?

Lounging Days -- Seniors Only



"Thank you, Father Kalin," says Jim Sullivan as he tests donated radio.



Bob Byington and Jim Ganser confiscate best chair from the Sisters' Lounge.

Ho-hum!



Give up, Joe?



Relaxed study (?) in the Lounge.



Some slept

... some just talked.



Hazy Days



"Now, which is the heart and which is the brain?"

"Somebody's got to volunteer for hall moderator!"



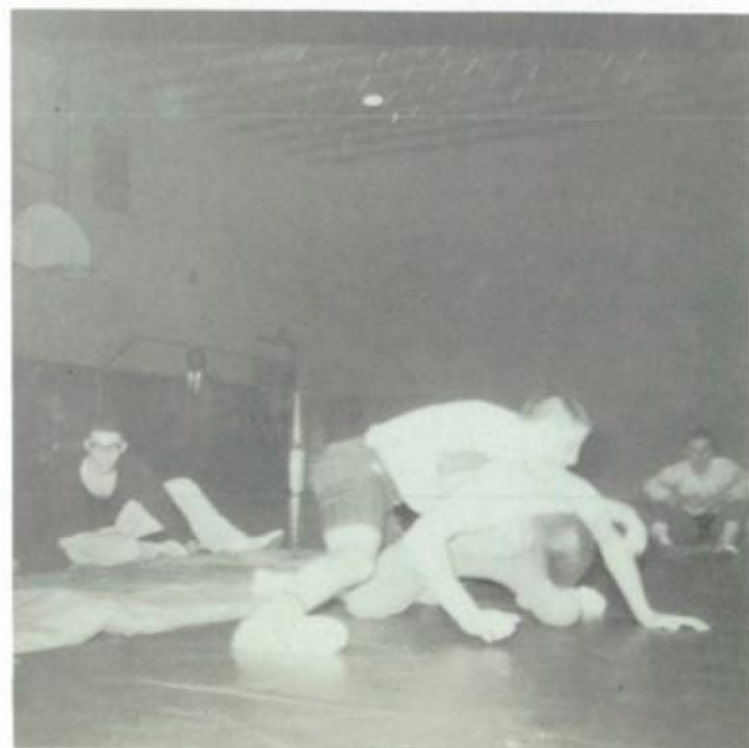
"I can't see where I'm going!"



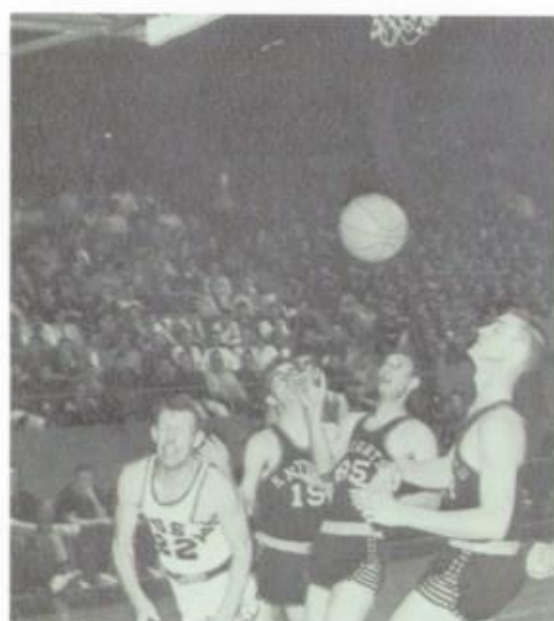
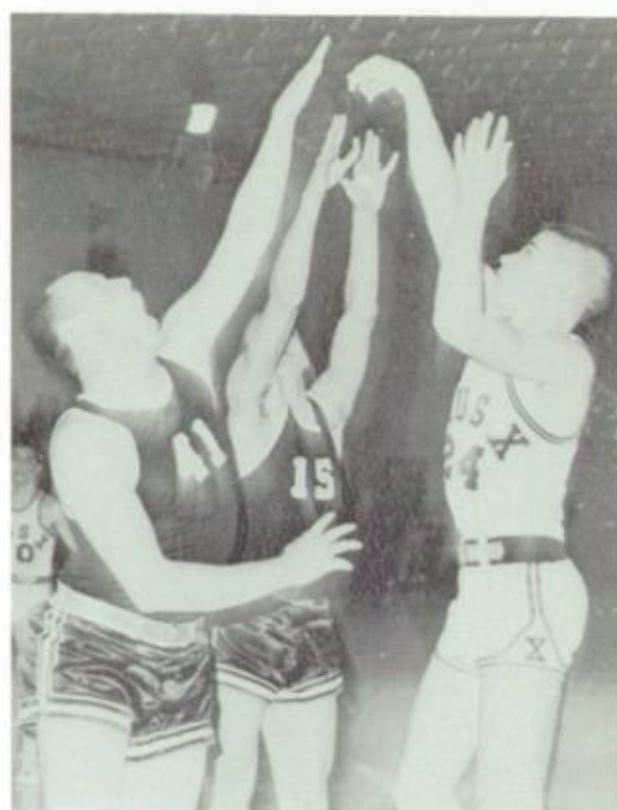
"Let's see, now ... I'm Ted and you're Sid. Or am I Sid?"

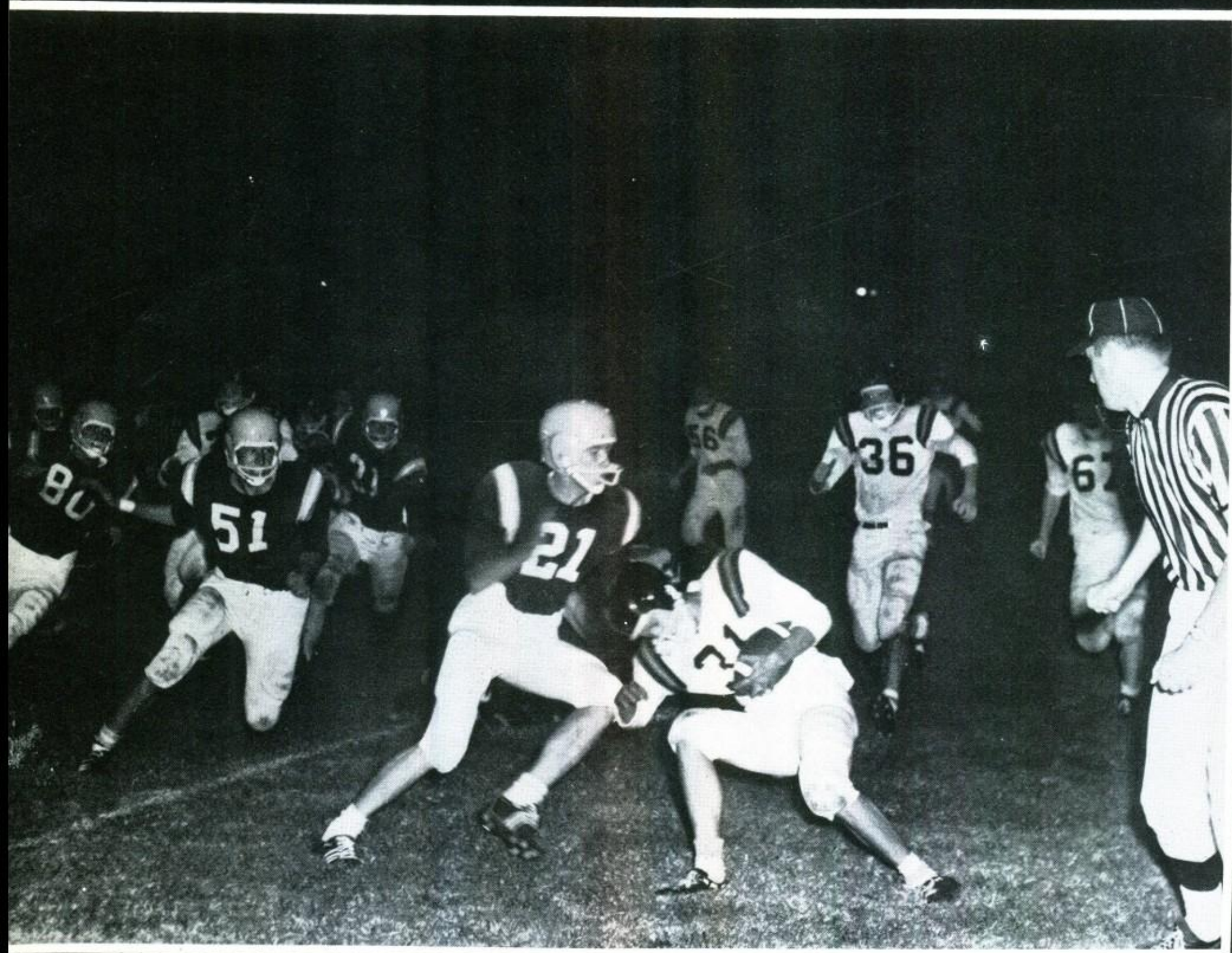


Pat's not in a daze. He's just in an early morning fog.



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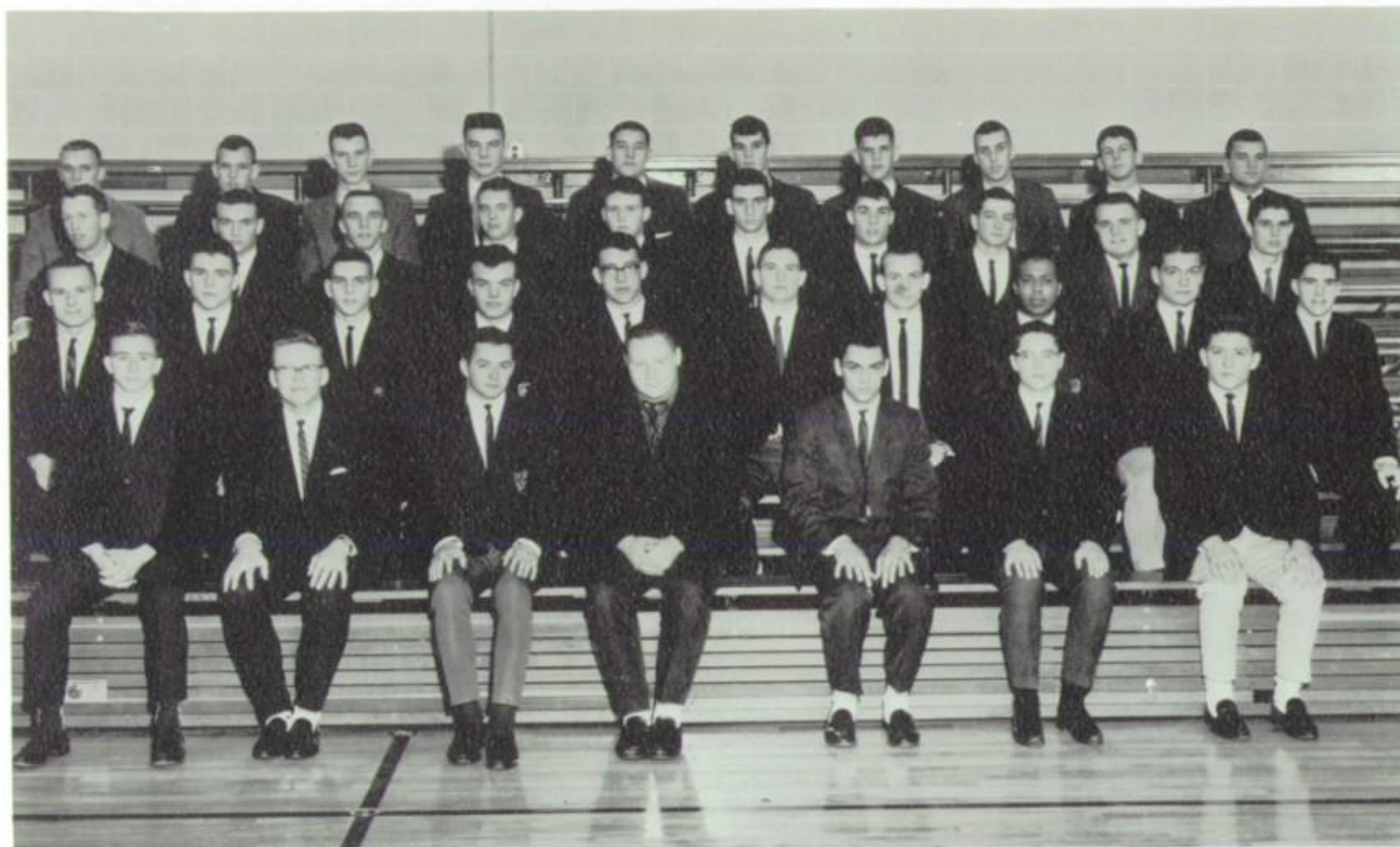


THUNDERBOLTS



1962 - 1963

Varsity Football Players



FIRST ROW: Joe Schroer, Larry Donahue, Jack Ganser, Pat Baroch, Dave Fusco, Tom Sullivan, and Mike Kobza. SECOND ROW: Doug Barrett, Mike Ziegler, Dan Gatto, John Thompson, Ladd Lonnquist, Rick McManaman, Bernie Rempe, Floyd Jones, Bernie Sommers, and Pat Fitzpatrick. THIRD ROW: Tom McGovern, Jim Thomas,

Dale Champoux, Mike Laughlin, Bill Bean, Larry Dugger, Tim Murphy, Jim Ganser, Jerry Satterlund, and Bob Byington. FOURTH ROW: Pat Ryan, John Schneider, Vic Looney, Bob Caster, Dayle Churchill, Bob Chaves, Mike Stefkovich, Jim Sullivan, Jim Sutura, and Bob Schneider.

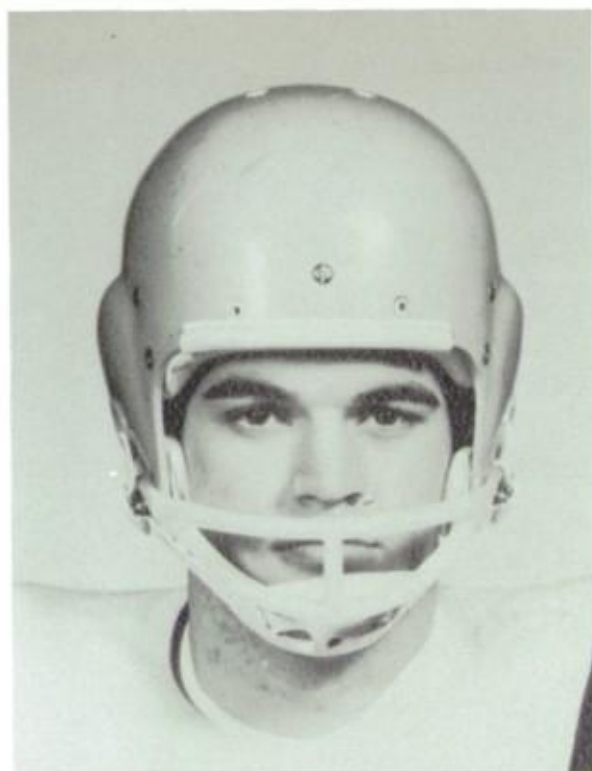
Diligent summer conditioning had the Pius X Thunderbolts in good physical shape when they reported for practice at the start of the 1962 football campaign. Good speed, enthusiasm and plenty of experience, with thirteen lettermen, made Pius boosters view the season with hopeful optimism. Under the direction of Pius' head football mentor, Vince Aldrich, and his capable assistants, backfield coach Bill Imbody and line coach Tom Carey, basic fundamentals were again recalled and stressed as the T-bolts prepared for their first encounter.

A strong, quick offensive line consisting of ends, Sullivan and Bernie Rempe; tackles, Bob Schneider and Mike Laughlin; guards, Ladd Lonnquist and Rick McManaman; and center Jerry Satterlund was soon welded into the basis for a smooth running ground attack. A fleet, hard-charging backfield headed by quarterback Pat Fitzpatrick; fullback Dale

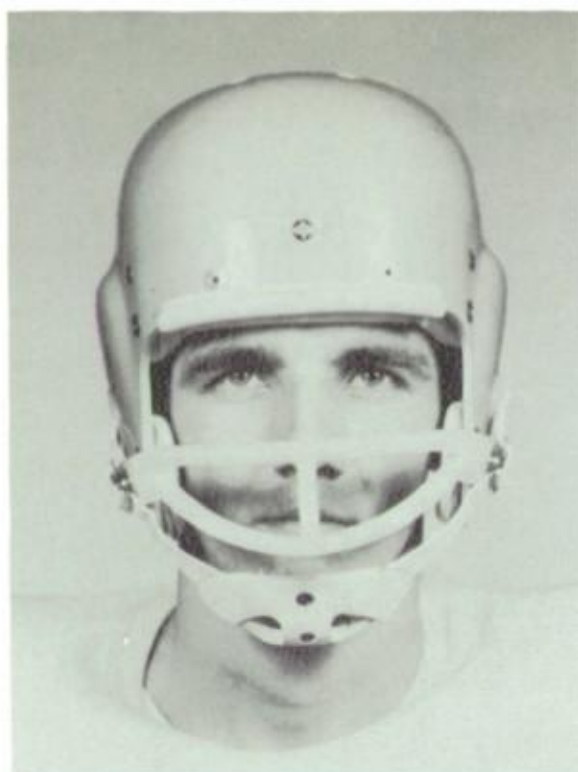
Champoux; and halfbacks Pat Ryan and Mike Ziegler completed the Pius offensive thrust. Backs Tom McGovern, John Schneider, and Jim Sutura along with linemen Pat Baroch and Dayle Churchill strengthened the Pius defense as they joined Jim Sullivan, Schneider, Laughlin, Lonnquist, Satterlund, and Champoux to form a formidable defensive team for Pius' opponents.

After more than two weeks of long hard, humid practice sessions, the speedy Bolts were ready for the first encounter of the toughest football schedule ever faced by a Thunderbolt squad. The Pius lads, campaigning in Class A for the third season, were eager to test themselves in their opener at South Sioux City. They racked up a respectable 6-2-1 season and a ninth place position on the State Prep ratings. This season proved to be the best Pius has ever enjoyed, and a hard one to match in the years to come.

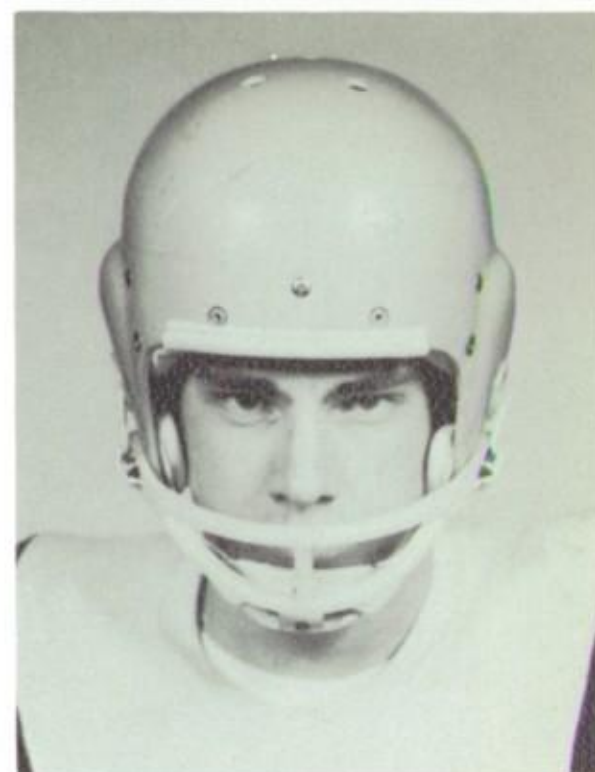
Pius Places Three on All-city Team



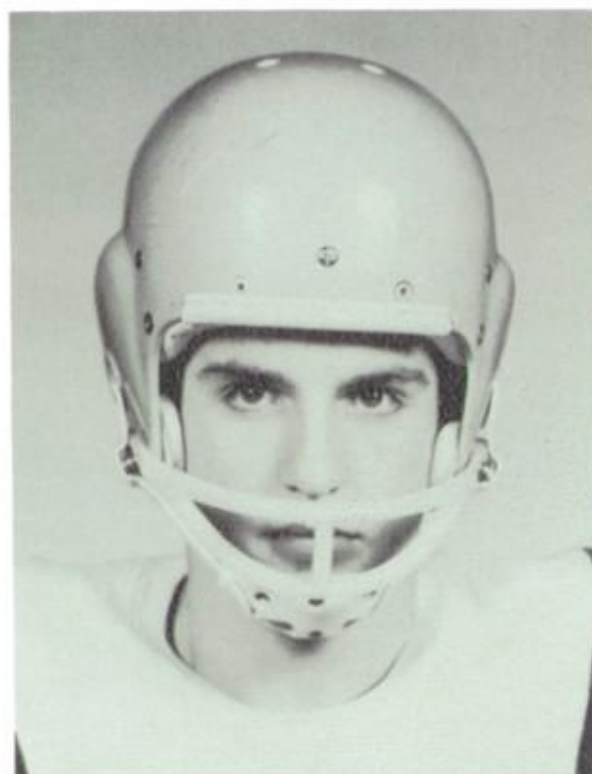
Bob Schneider, Senior
Lincoln Journal - Star: All-city Tackle,
1962



Dale Champoux, Senior
Lincoln Journal - Star: All-city honor-
able mention
Lincoln Journal, Star, and Omaha World
Herald: - All-state honorable mention,
1962



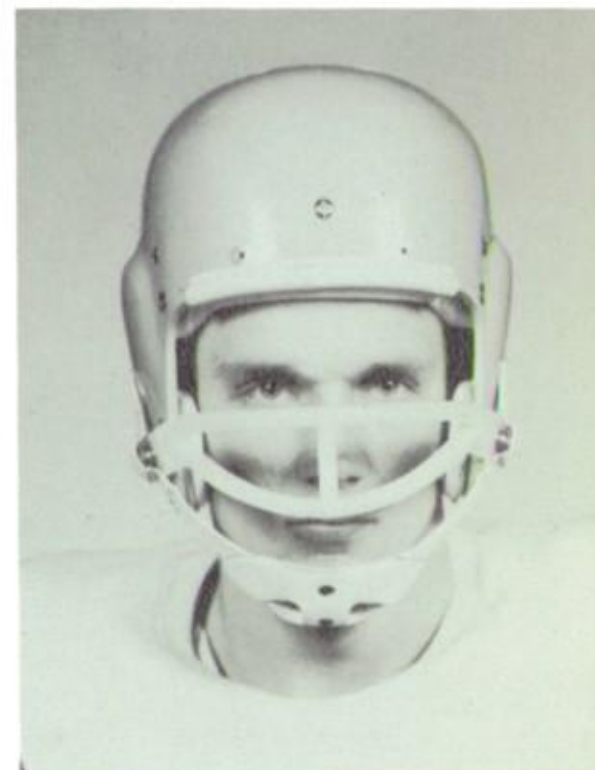
Ladd Lonnquist, Senior, Co-captain
Lincoln Journal - Star: All-city Guard,
1961 and 1962
Seratoma Football Award, 1962



Mike Ziegler, Junior
Lincoln Journal - Star: All-city honor-
able mention, Back, 1962

Season's Scores

Pius X	33	South Sioux City	6
Pius X	13	Omaha Holy Name	7
Pius X	19	Falls City	6
Pius X	0	Sioux City Heelan	6
Pius X	13	Boys Town	0
Pius X	34	Omaha Cathedral	6
Pius X	14	David City Aquinas	14
Pius X	19	Southeast	6
Pius X	<u>7</u>	Omaha Bishop Ryan	<u>27</u>
Pius X	152	Opponents	78



Pat Ryan, Senior
Lincoln Star: All-city Back, 1961
Lincoln Journal-Star: All-city honorable
mention Back, 1962
Lincoln Scoring Champion, 1962
Seratoma Football Award, 1962



"Hmm...those South Sioux cheerleaders sure are...uh..."



"After you fellows." Halfback Pat Ryan waits for teammates Champoux and McManaman to eliminate Holy Name "obstacles."

A senior-laden Thunderbolt squad ripped hapless South Sioux City 33-6 in its 1962 gridiron opener. Three long scoring plays plus the passing of Fitzpatrick aided the Pius cause as Pat Ryan sped to a 92 yard touchdown tally. McGovern returned a punt 65 yards for another score, Mike Ziegler scampered for a 35 yard touchdown, Bill Dean plunged two yards to tally, and Sullivan hauled in a 10 yard strike from Fitz, who also completed two PATs. Lonnquist, McManaman, and Champoux led the defensive unit.

A determined Pius eleven pushed past a stubborn Omaha Holy Name team 13-7 to garner their second win. The Bolts rebounded, after 37 yard TD with a 25 yard scoring aerial from Fitz to Sullivan in the first quarter. McGovern's 4th quarter two yard plunge and extra point after a 57 yard drive gave Pius the advantage. Champoux and Lonnquist were Pius defensive standouts.

Pat Ryan, behind a hard-hitting forward wall, provided the fireworks at Falls City by scoring on runs of 16, 57, and 8 yards as Pius amassed a total of 205 yards rushing and pounded the Falls City Tigers 19-6. Paced by Champoux, Lonnquist, Churchill, Laughlin and B. Schneider, the Pius defense thwarted any Tiger scoring hopes until the final seconds of the game when a fumble set up their only score.

"Hey, you guys, where's the hole?" Falls City ball carriers had trouble gaining yardage against a field of swarming Thunderbolts.



The scrappy Pius X Thunderbolts played a hard-nosed, down-to-earth game which consisted mostly of Pius offensive threats and rock-ribbed defense, but suffered a tear-jerking loss in the last 54 seconds of a rain-soaked contest on a 61 yard aerial which broke a 0-0 tie. Pius scored two touchdowns; one on a 7 yard 2nd quarter Fitzpatrick to Sutera pass, and the other in the 4th quarter on a one yard Fitzpatrick plunge, but both were nullified by penalties. The rugged Pius defense allowed Heelan Crusaders to penetrate their territory only once (to the 42) in the 1st half and only as far as the 39 in the final half. The Bolts failed on last ditch passes, thus ending up the luckless losers 0-6.

The powerful revenge-minded Pius football machine churned its way through Boys Town's defense to turn back the nationally touted team 13-0, and gained a fifth place spot in Class A football ratings. The classy, determined Bolts used a devastating ground game to notch its 4th triumph. Fitz hit Rempe with a 15 yard touchdown toss after an 80 yard 2nd quarter drive for Pius' first touchdown. Mike Ziegler's speed joined the power of Champoux and Ryan to amass 227 yards rushing, and Champoux blasted over from one yard after a 74 yard 3rd quarter march. Ladd Lonquist, Rick McManaman, and Dale Champoux led the Pius defensive assault which limited Boys Town to a mere 38 yards in the 2nd half.

An intercepted pass and a 63 yard return by Sutera set up Pius' first scoring play. McGovern returned the 2nd half kick-off on an electrifying 95 yard run to give the Bolts a 14-0 lead. The larger Aquinas team dominated the rest of the game, as their defense kept Pius bottled up and offensively pushed Pius backwards. Scoring twice on a 39 yard pass and a 2 yard run, the Monarchs tied the score 14-14.



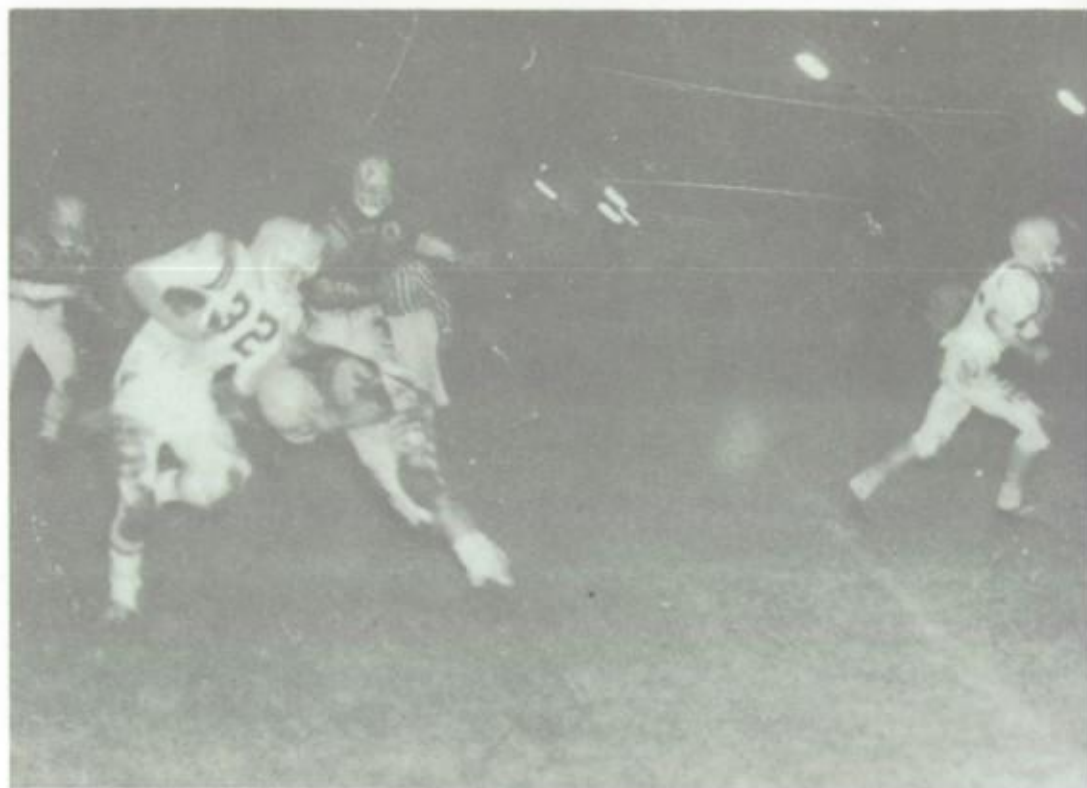
"I've got my eye on you," says #75, Ladd Lonquist, as Heelan tries an end run.



"Flash" Schneider arrives just in time to watch teammate break up Aquinas aerial attack.



"Boys, the way you play football will influence your future life." Coach Aldrich proteges will always respect his "locker room words of wisdom."



"Take that!" - Hard-hitting halfback Mike Ziegler gives opponent a headache, proving it takes more than S. E. Knights to stop a determined T-bolt.



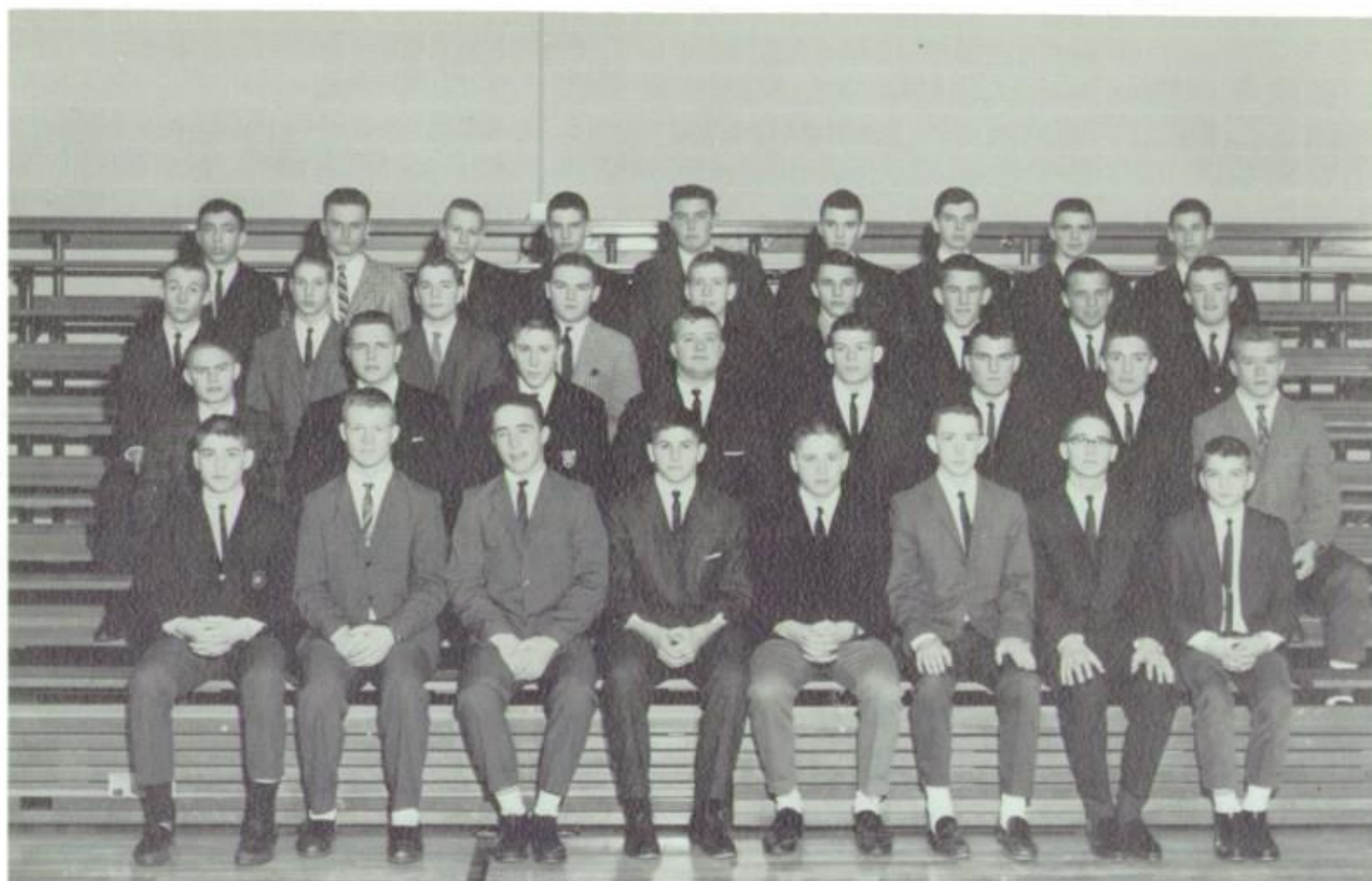
Bishop Ryan Knights shoot down one of quarterback Fitzpatrick's long missiles.

Pius X garnered its 5th victory by pounding Omaha Cathedral 34-6 on Homecoming night. Bob Sawdon's 12 yard TD pass to Ziegler was followed by Cathedral's only score ending the quarter a 6-6 tie. After half time, the Bolts stormed out and racked up 314 yards rushing for the entire game. Ziegler's 3rd quarter plunge, Ryan's 24 yard scamp, and Kobza's flip to Rempe completed the scoring for Pius. A savage defense headed by Churchill, Champoux, Lonquist, and Sullivan stymied the Cathedral attack.

The Pius Thunder-men broke Southeast's five game winning streak, 19-6. Hard-running halfback Mike Ziegler started the scoring by taking a 14 yard touchdown aerial from Fitzpatrick, and Dave Fusco kicked the PAT. S.E.'s only TD came on a 37 yard run. The spirited Thunderbolts out-downed (13-4), out-rushed (166-97) and out-passed (48-40) and generally whopped the Southeast team. A Knight-hungry defense, sparked by Laughlin, McManaman, B. Schneider, and P. Baroch, allowed SE only one first down in the second half.

Pius X suffered through one of its "down" nights as the T-Bolts, caught unprepared, fell a 27-7 victim of a fired-up Bishop Ryan team. Although ending with a disappointing defeat, the Thunderbolts placed 9th in Class A ratings.

Football Reserves



FIRST ROW: Kippy Millard, Dale Prell, Mike Rierden, Tom Creal, Dennis Tegtmeier, Mike Dalton, Dick Dosek, and Jim Reams. SECOND ROW: Glenn Lally, Dennis Dixon, Dick Schmidt, Jim Hoaglin, Jim O'Gara, Tom Knight, Leo Eskey, and John Clyne. THIRD ROW: Tom Hoidal, Scott Shipferling, John Lyne, John Recko,

Jim Neal, Ron French, Greg Renter, Steve Drozda, and Pat Dalton. FOURTH ROW: Bill Hedricks, Jerry McKernan, Bill Schommer, Bill Origer, Bill Robinson, Mike Chaves, Paul Hartz, Mike Curran, and Bernie Haag.

Reserves Find Football Fun and Work

Under the direction of head coach Clay White and line coach Lane Birkel, who also served as scouts and spotters for the varsity, the reserve players learned what is meant by working for their fun. Sacrifice, desire, and mental and physical conditioning were stressed as they were taught basic fundamentals which provide a sound building-block for a good football team. The hot humid summer practice sessions gave the reserves only a brief taste of what it's like to be a varsity player, but it taught them the need for perseverance and hard work as they prepared for their coming games. Actual game participation made all their weeks of conditioning and sacrifice seem worth the stress and strain involved.



Varsity Basketball Team



Coach Lane Birkel with Varsity team, left to right: Bob Byington, Dale Champoux, Pat Ryan, Chris Wickham, Jim Sutura, Jim Sullivan, Dayle Churchill,

Jim Mestl, Bob Chaves, Bill Dean, Dave Woods, Tom McGovern, Mike Ziegler, and Pat Fitzpatrick.

LINE-UP, 1962-1963

NO.	NAME	CLASS	HT.	WT.
10	Pat Fitzpatrick	12	5'8	140
14	Mike Ziegler	11	5'10	165
20	Dale Champoux	12	5'11	170
22	Tom McGovern	12	5'11	155
24	Chris Wickham	11	5'10	155
30	Dave Woods	12	5'11	170
32	Jim Sutura	12	5'11	165
34	Pat Ryan	12	6'1	165
40	Bob Byington	12	5'10	155
42	Jim Mestl	11	6'2	160
44	Jim Sullivan	12	6'2	165
50	Bob Chaves	11	6'3	170
52	Bill Dean	11	6'1	180
54	Dayle Churchill	10	6'3	200

SCHEDULE, 1962-1963

PX		
53	Bellevue	51
53	St. Cecelia	33
78	Bishop Ryan	48
54	Holy Name	64
45	Heelan	50
45	G. I. Catholic	50
65	Southeast	50
53	Beatrice	52
64	Cathedral	47
52	Bishop Ryan	60
69	Syracuse	59
53	Cathedral	48
46	University	47
65	Nebraska City	58
60	Fairbury	48
855	Opponents	765

COACHES: Lane Birkel, Vince Aldrich, and Tom Carey.
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Father Durr.



Tommy McGovern lays up another 2-pointer for Pius in the Heelan game.



"Frustrating, isn't it?" quips the long-armed Pius rebounder.



"Come on, I dare ya!"

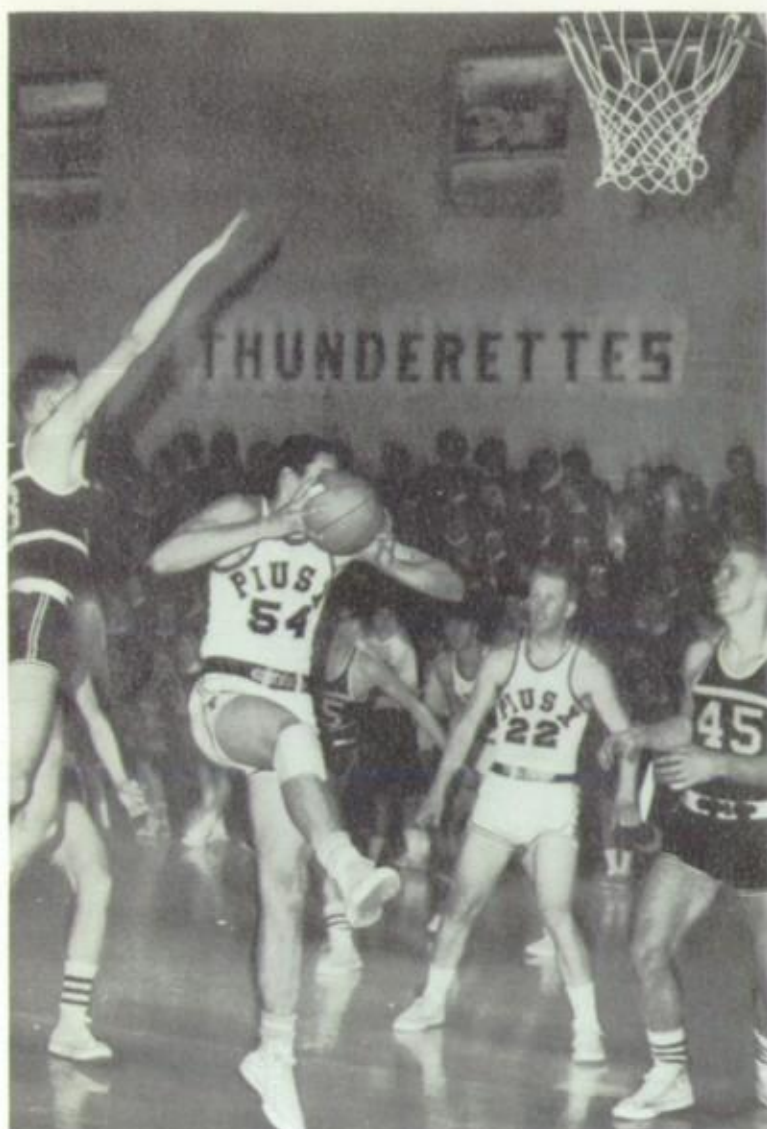


Li'l Fitz is all wrapped up in his work.

Pat Fitzpatrick's jump shot with 6 seconds left in the game gave the Thunderbolts' new head coach Lane Birkel his initial victory 53-51. The Bolts out-scrambled the taller Bellevue Chieftans to gain their first win. Tom McGovern led the scoring honors with 17 points, while Fitzpatrick contributed 15, Sullivan 7, and Champoux 5.

Hastings St. Cecelia fell a 53-33 victim as Pius coasted to its second straight victory. Weak shooting (only 10 field shots the entire game) hampered the Monarchs as Pius racked up a 12-4 first period advantage. Tom McGovern, Fitzpatrick, and Jim Sullivan paced the Pius scoring with 11, 10, and 9 points respectively.

A fired-up Pius squad bowled over Omaha Bishop Ryan 78-48 to keep its unbeaten record intact. After trailing in the first quarter 16-14, the Bolts stormed back scoring 41 points to the Omahans' 18 in the next two periods and raced to victory. McGovern and Sullivan again led the scoring with 19 and 17 points.



...and Dayle "twinkle toes" Churchill pulls down another one.



Dale Champoux exemplifies that extra "poosh" that sparked the Pius triumph over SE.

Class B power Omaha Holy Name handed Pius its first loss in four outings, 64-54. Pius never lead the Ramblers. Gordon Brown, their 5'10" senior spelled doom for the T-bolts with his 23 points. McGovern's 12 and Sullivan's 9 aided the Pius cause.

Sioux City Heelan furnished Pius its second loss 50-45 as the Bolts were unable to find the range. The Pius team led 12-11 at the half, but lack of rebounding by the Pius five hampered any chances of victory. Sullivan's 12 points and Fitzpatrick's 9 headed Pius' scoring as McGovern and Chris Wickham each managed 8.

A weak Grand Island Catholic team upset Pius 50-45 when they grabbed a 12-8 upper-hand in the first quarter and never let up. Pius had a field goal advantage of 20-13, but 24 of 37 free throws gave the Grand Island squad the victory. Fitzpatrick and Churchill scored 11 points each.

Tom McGovern's 32 points paced a fired-up Pius team that stomped over Lincoln Southeast 65-50. Three thousand fans watched as Pius used a pressing game defense and a 12-1 first quarter advantage to stop the Knights cold at Pershing Auditorium. Sharp passing, hard driving, and excellent shooting aided the Bolts' rout as Fitzpatrick contributed 12 points and Champoux 11 to add fuel to the fire.

A Beatrice rally fell short on a missed free throw in the last second to give Pius a 53-52 win. The hard work of 6'3" sophomore, Dayle Churchill, aided Pius as he pulled down rebound after rebound. McGovern and Sullivan set the scoring pace with 16 and 15 points respectively.

The Pius X Thunderbolts garnered their 3rd straight win by handling Omaha Cathedral handily 64-38. The Bolts used a relentless zone press and shooting accuracy of 54% to win easily. McGovern and Sullivan paced Pius with 20 and 18 points respectively.

Paced by a 28 point output, Falls City drubbed Pius X 65-47. The Pius squad, after pulling within four points, was outscored in the final stanza 26-14. Churchill's 14 points were high for Pius as McGovern got 10 and Sullivan 8.

A second period drought doomed Pius in its second encounter with Omaha Bishop Ryan, 60-52. The Knights outscored the Bolts 15-4 in the second quarter and used this advantage to gain revenge. Churchill's rebounding efforts and 17 points headed Pius' cause.

Sixteen point outputs by Sullivan and Churchill coupled with 13 points produced by McGovern and Wickham gave the Thunderbolts a 69-59 victory over Syracuse. At times, during the third period, Pius held a 19 point advantage. The win gave the T-bolts a 7-5 record.

Despite pressures from Omaha Cathedral, Pius picked up another victory to the tune of 53-48. Churchill sparked Pius with 13 points and good rebounding off both boards. Champoux added 9 points, while McGovern and Sullivan each collected 8.

Dayle Churchill nearly led Pius to an upset over Uni High by scoring 19 points and out-rebounding the taller Tutors. The Thunderbolts held a 28-23 half time lead, but then had to make up a 6 point deficit to tie the game at 42-42 at the end of regulation time. Uni High won in overtime 47-46.



Cardinal lends back support for Mestl's rebounding.



It's too late now, Cardinals; Pius scores again!



Dayle Churchill clears the board against Uni High.

Basketball Reserves



FIRST ROW: Bernie Haag and Bernie Kersey, student managers; Dan Smith, Dave Fusco, Tom Knight, Tom Creal, Tom Hoidal, Mike Dalon, and Dan Tresnak,

student manager. SECOND ROW: Dan Gatto, John Hanigan, Bill Schommer, Larry Dugger, Mike Stefkovitch, Mike Chaves, Bob Fitzgerald, Greg Carter, and Steve Mueting.



Is this basketball or ballet?



Hm...wonder if Hoidal ever uses that third arm.

Sophomore Basketball Team



FIRST ROW: John Lyne, Jim Neal, Bill Origer, Pat Beste, Ken Bahm, and Don Duncan. SECOND ROW:

Gary Dolan, Dave Barry, Bill Hendricks, Mike Curran, and Dick Dosek.

Reserve and Sophomore Teams add Depth

The Sophomore and Reserve teams might be considered the "minor leagues" of the Pius sports system. They do not bask in the glory and limelight that the varsity enjoys. Their fate is to labor in obscurity, for they are the teams of the future which must spend time on the training ground. It is here that the young athlete receives his baptism of fire. Here he gains experience - that necessary element for success - which can be obtained only in actual combat.

The 1963 Reserves started off slowly, but the "old Master," Vince Aldrich, quickly displayed his genius for turning raw material into a finished product. The boys

quickly became a team, a team with poise, polish, and confidence. They closed the season with a rush, winning a majority of their games.

The Sophomore team, under the competent leadership of Tom Carey, developed quickly from a group of boys fresh from Junior High into a squad of genuine high school athletes. Their start, also, was slow, for new lessons had to be learned. In a short time, however, they began to roll and racked up a five game winning streak during the middle of the season. Finishing with a .500 mark, they spell nothing but trouble for Pius opponents in the future.

Varsity Wrestling Team



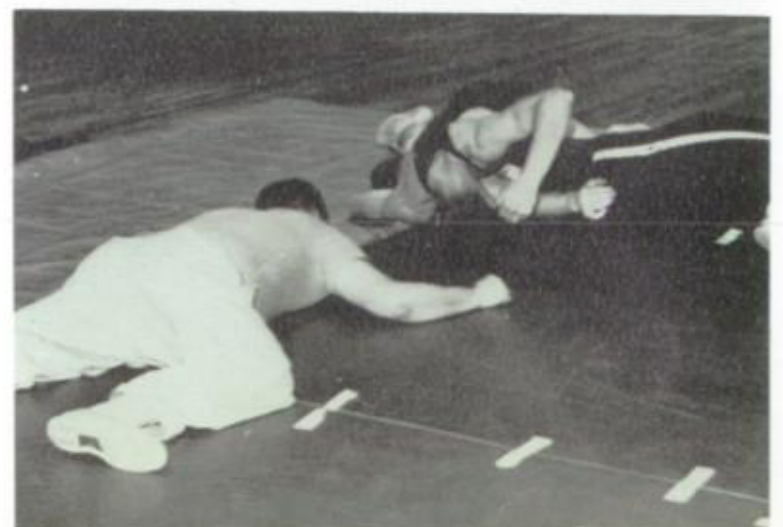
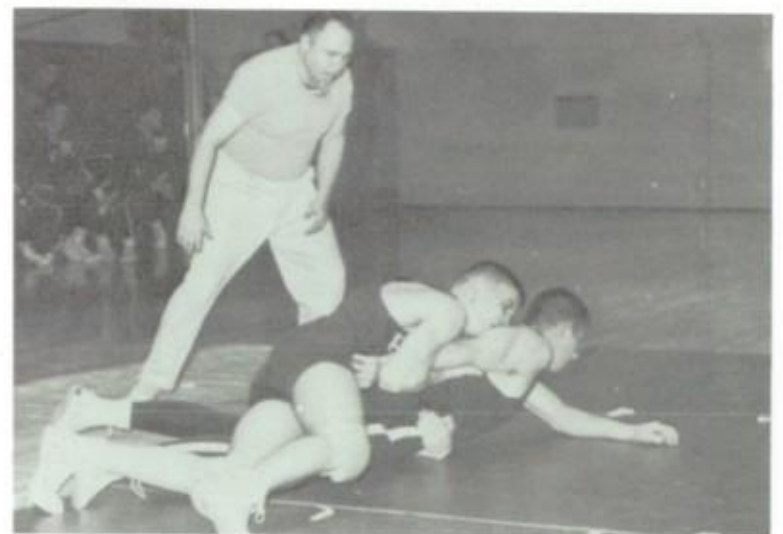
FIRST ROW: Jack Ganser, Jim Reams, Bob Koziol, Joe Schroer, Mike Kobza, Mark Cunningham, Leo Eskey, Paul York, Jerry Batliner, and Kenny Zweig. SECOND

ROW: Coach Clay White, Doug Barrett, John Recko, Mike Reinig, Denny Hartz, Jerry McKernan, Doug Wayman, Jim Thomas, John Thompson, and Kenny Hartz.

Interest In Wrestling Grows

Clay White, in his initial year at the helm of the wrestling team, proved himself a very capable coach. With sufficient depth, the result of increased interest among the boys at Pius, our future looks good. Being relatively new in the field, Pius wrestlers need tough competition to urge them to greater efforts. This they had during the 1962-63 season.

Although considered as a team, each wrestler must fight man to man, and thus fights alone. Several fine young men among the underclassmen are Kenny Zweig, Jack Ganser, Bob Koziol, and Mike Reinig. The stars of the year were seniors Joe Schroer, Denny Hartz, and Doug Barrett.

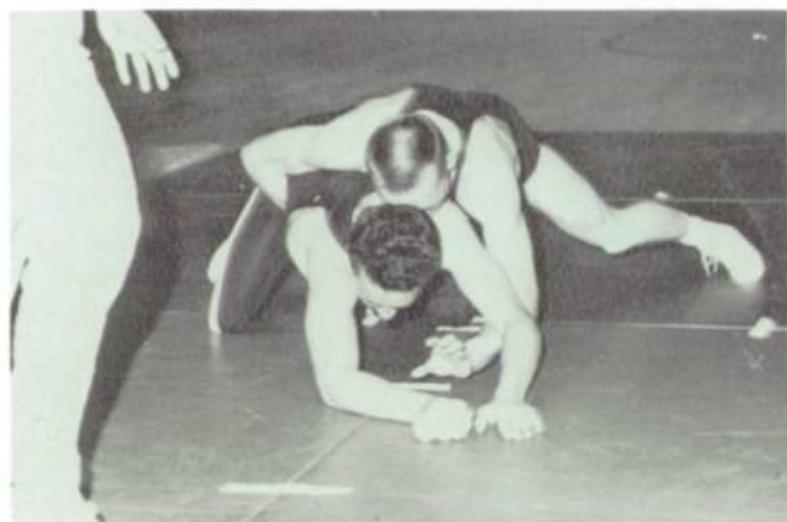


Wrestling Reserves



FIRST ROW: Bill Schubert, Dan Danker, Dale Prell, Dan Connelly, Fred Smith. SECOND ROW: George

Lehr, Dick Schmidt, Greg Renter, Don Hoover, Scott Shipferling, Ted Wunderlich, and Mike Rierden.



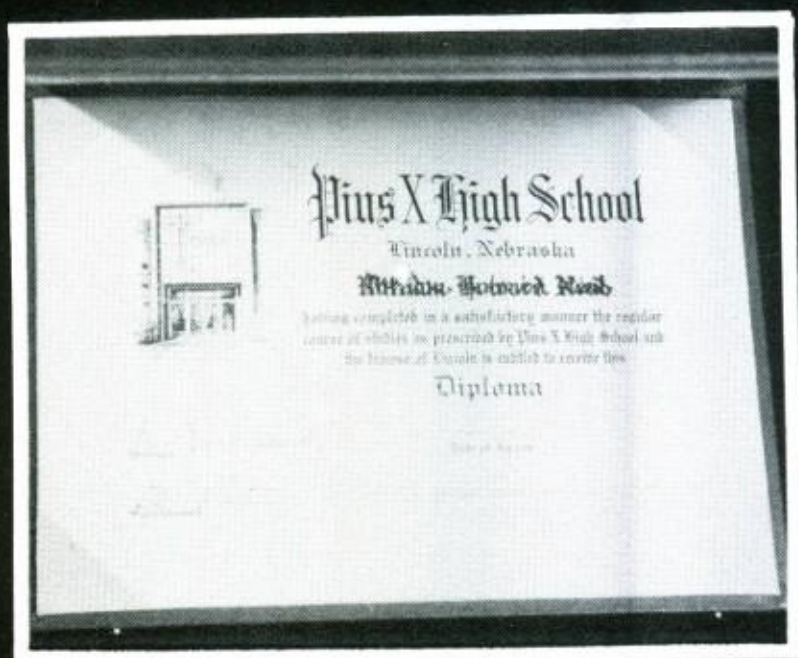
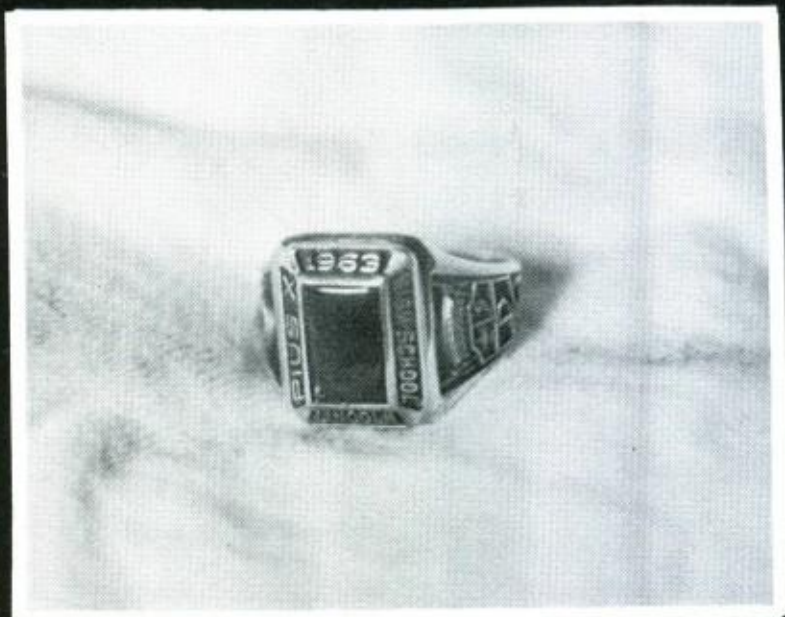
"I tell ya it's MY nickel!"

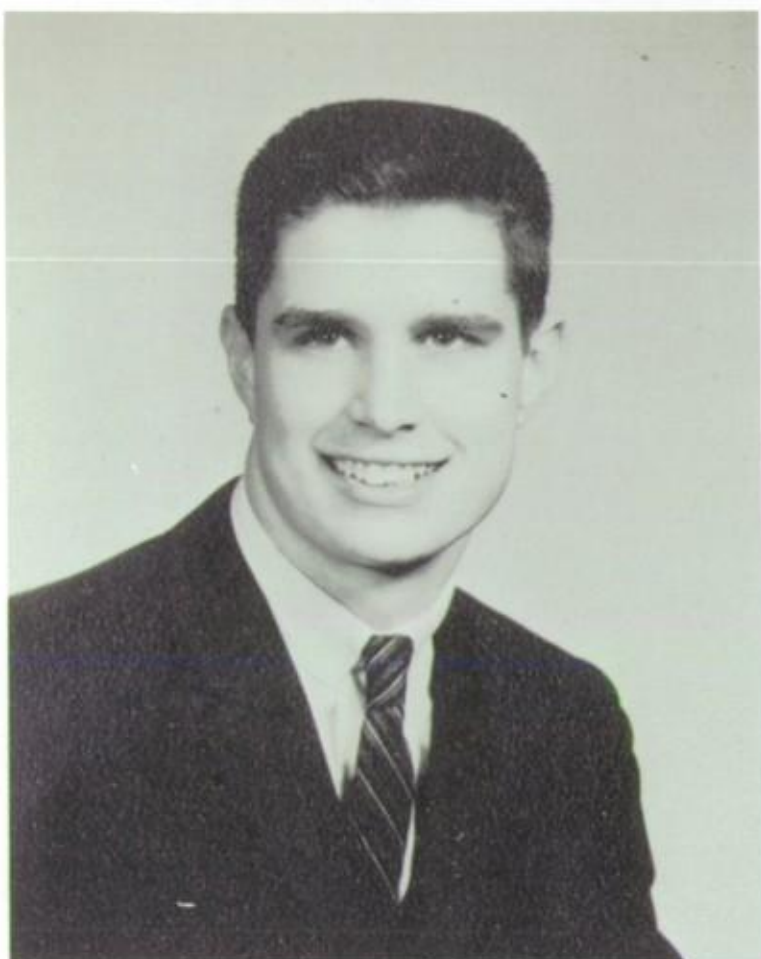


"Come on, Kenny, I'LL help you do a handstand."



CLASS





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The graduating class leaves behind many fond memories of high school activities. The overall class spirit, leadership, and cooperation exemplified by our class have made all our endeavors successful.

As we leave, we cannot deny the growth which came to us in an atmosphere where Christ was King and in which we learned to love God above all things. Our education has implanted Catholic ideals and principles which, if we follow, will lead us to Heaven--the very purpose of our existence.

The things of life cannot endure forever. Where there is growth, there must be change; and change means separation and farewell to the members of our class. We will soon embark on various ways in the pursuit of furthering our education and thence towards the treacherous highways of life until we have reached our ultimate goal--Eternal Salvation.

We will not forget our class nor the things we have experienced as a class. Let us always be true to ourselves and follow the path on which our feet have been guided. Let us not waste opportunities, but instead, make them the foundation on which to build our success.



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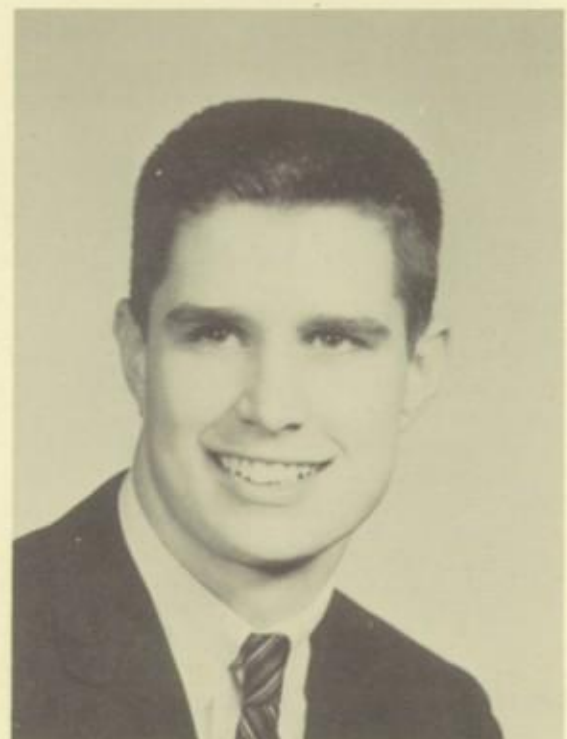
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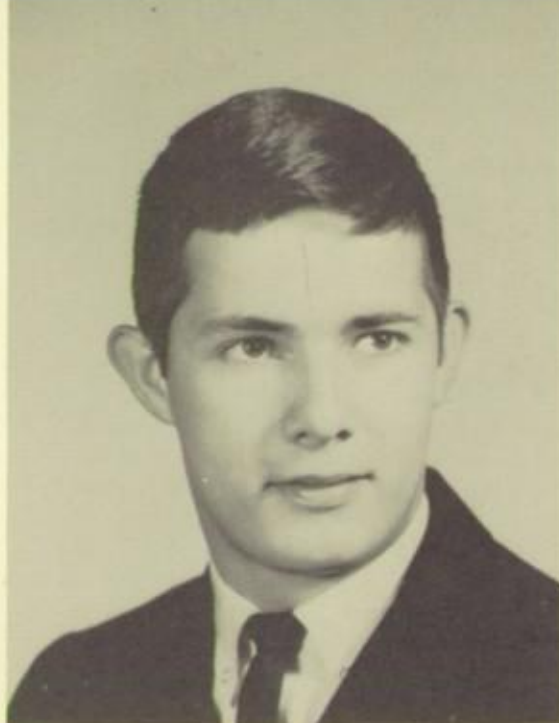
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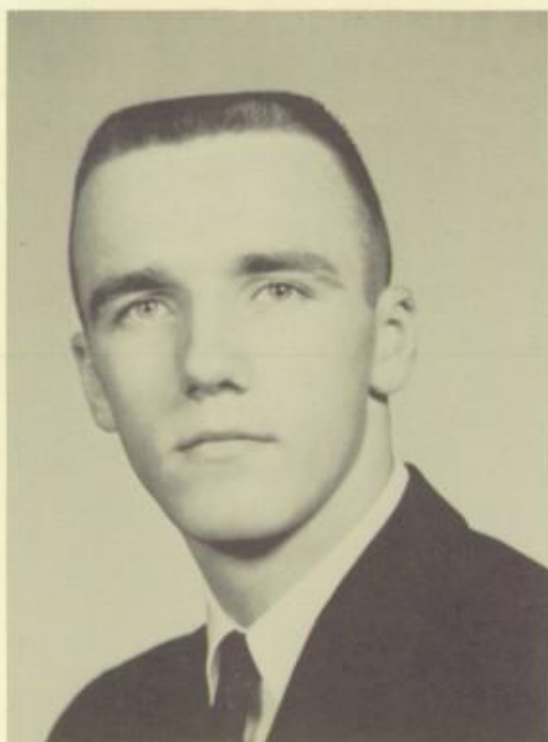
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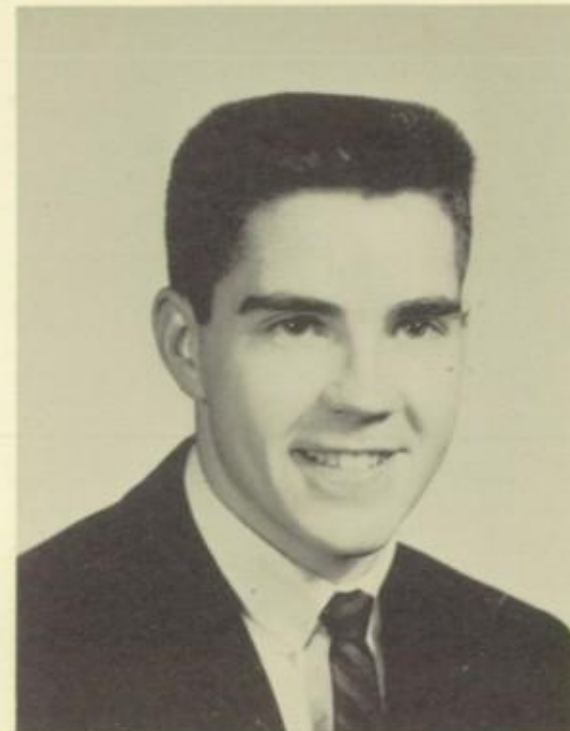
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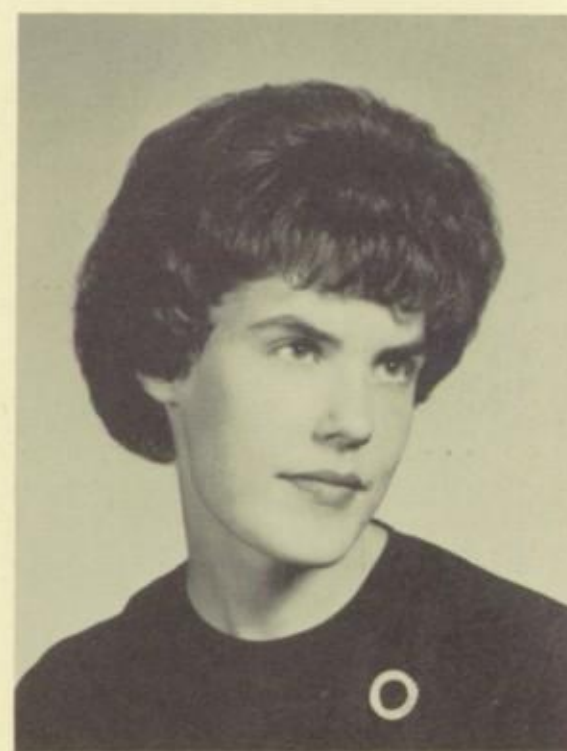
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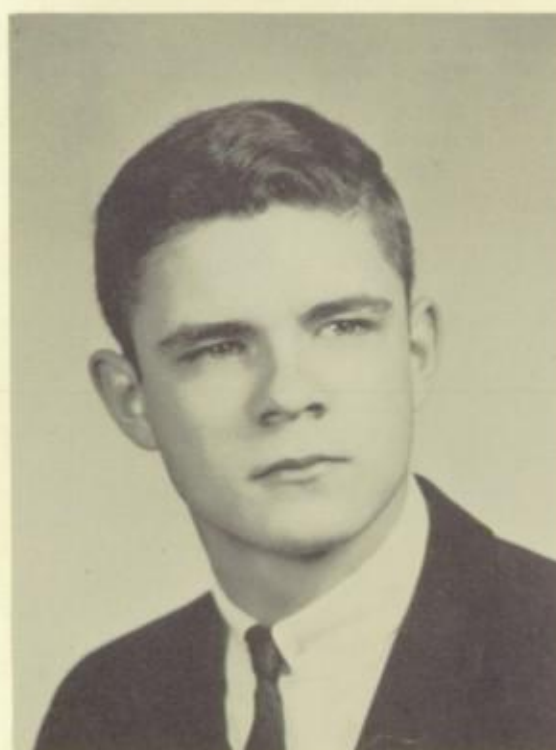
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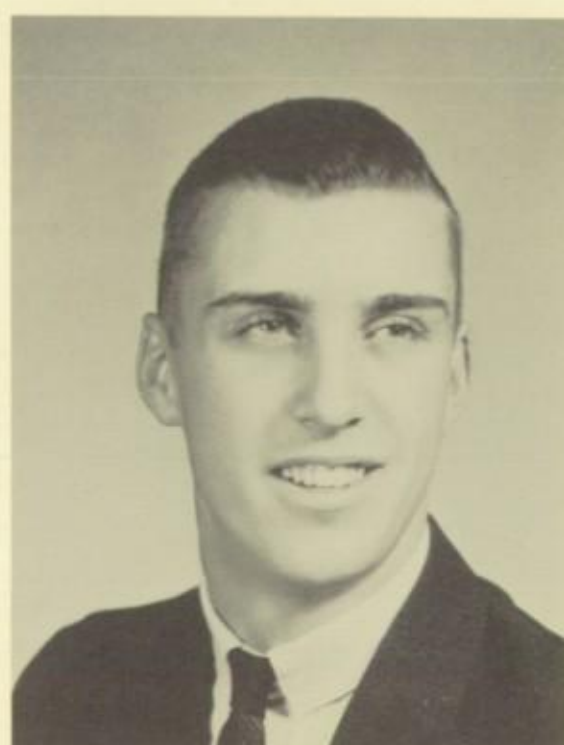
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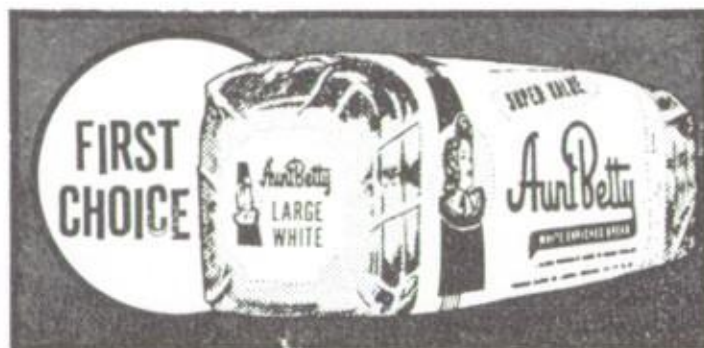
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